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*With the earnest desire that its pages will bring together  
more closely the various departments of the university,  
and keep fresh in our memories this year  
of increased student activities and college spirit,  
this 2005 Cherry Tree has been published.*







# *The George Washington University*



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# 365

*Life is not split into categories and sections; it consists of the seconds, minutes, and days that are defined by experiences. These moments are inextricably combined, in that one second is not mutually exclusive of the next.*

*Events are connected by how they transpire and how they are linked to what comes next.*

*As a staff, The Cherry Tree attempted to stay true to the process in which these events unfold-- day by day for the 365 days that made up the 2004-2005 academic year.*

*Those 365 days are marked by the gradual changes in sesason that accumulate to mark a much greater change.*

*The cycle of mother nature reminds us that, perhaps, change is the only true constant.*

*And so, we welcome you to reflect back upon*

*365 days at GW*

*Fall*



*Winter*



*Spring*



*Summer*





# *Letter from the Editor*



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*Caitlin Bevin Doherty  
Cherry Tree Editor-in-Chief  
2004-2005*



## *I would like to dedicate this book to the Class of 2005:*

You are an impressive collection of individuals and you each have just closed a major chapter of your life- albeit not an experience you will soon forget. Though I am not a member of this year's senior class, nor even the next; there are many of you whom I have had the privilege to come to know. I hope that this book provides you with a way to reflect back on your college years and remember the good times at GW. This is your alma mater, take pride in what you have accomplished as an undergraduate and what it means to be a part of this community.

When I began this whole process of producing a yearbook I had a new vision for the organization and the end product as a whole. The main concept was to expand coverage to all four years of the college experience. As a staff we considered the concern that this would detract from the focus on the graduating class. While graduation is one of the most important events that you will experience, its greater importance is what it symbolizes: your years here at GW. The knowledge you gained, the experiences you had, and the people you encountered. My goal was to reflect all of this. Perhaps the freshmen that went through Colonial Inauguration this year may remind you of your first precarious step on campus. The juniors' abroad photos may remind you of your own overseas adventures. You are the first class to receive the full chronical of a year through the lens of every class.

My second major task was to reflect how the GW experience is unique. Like many GW students I became jaded to the flashy appeal of the university that had once excited me as an incoming freshman. When you get caught up in the day-to-day routine it's easy to lose sight of the bigger picture. My experience with the yearbook reversed that state of mind. I came back into contact with the greater ideals of the university and the unique imprint each student leaves behind.

GW has always stood out as a unique college experience. It's a place that weaves pragmatism with theory, history with innovation, cosmopolitan with tradition, and debate with discourse. There is a certain polish that comes with going to college in a city and there are certain opportunities at our disposal unlike any other. The White House, the Supreme Court, the State Department, the Kennedy Center of Performing Arts, the Washington Post, the National Gallery, the Smithsonian- this is our college "town." Graduating in the City of Presidents is not enough- we do it on George W. Bush's lawn.

Though GW draws students from all over the world, one of the unifying qualities of the student body is passion. Everyone seems to have a cause, an interest, a curiosity. Students create organizations that raise thousands of dollars for children with cancer, facilitate global work exchange, and celebrate diversity. They create majors that fuse communications with political science. They become instrumental in presidential campaigns. They take action against the human rights violations in Darfur. They have even competed in the Olympics.

Once I became involved in identifying the GW experience as a whole, rather than the shocking or even particularly newsworthy, I began to see how often the amazing aspects of GW are overlooked. Our hope as a staff is for you to look through this book and shed new light on your experience by putting it in the full context.

Over the years this book will grow in value to you; as your fond college memories become fuzzy, I hope that you can still pick up this book five, ten, and twenty years down the road with a smile. For now, as you step into the "real world," you become the people that shape what it means to be a GW alumnus. Congratulations on your accomplishments and best of luck in all your future endeavors.







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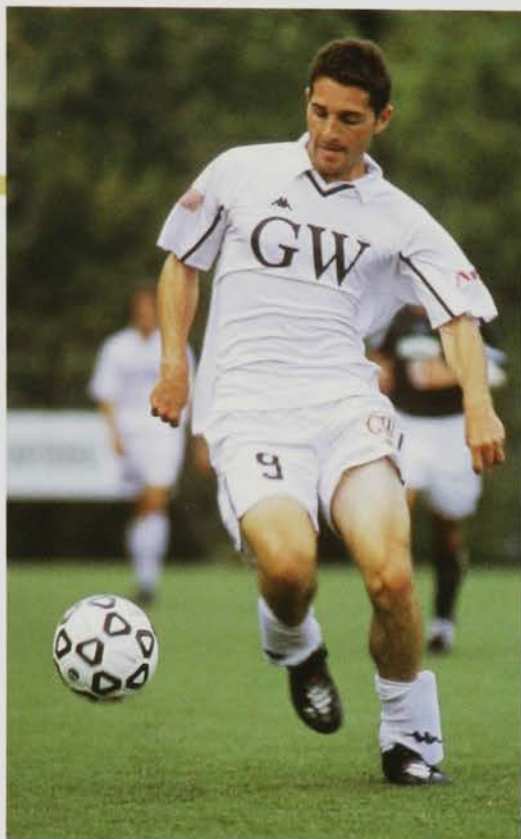


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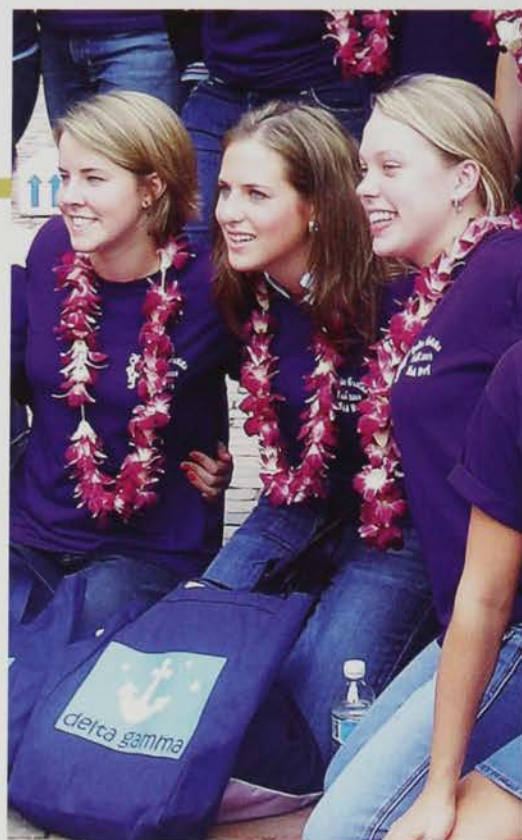


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*Few will have the greatness to bend history itself...*



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*and in the total of all those acts...*



*but each of us can work to change a small portion of events...*



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*will be written the history of this generation.*

*-Robert Francis Kennedy*



*As far as we can discern...*



PHOTO BY J. MALIN

*is to kindle a light ....*



*the sole purpose of human existence ...*



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*in the darkness of mere being.*  
*-Carl G. Jung*



*Patience and perservance have...*



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*difficulties disappear ...*



*a magical effect before which ...*



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*and obstacles vanish.  
-John Quincy Adams*



*It is sometimes called ...*

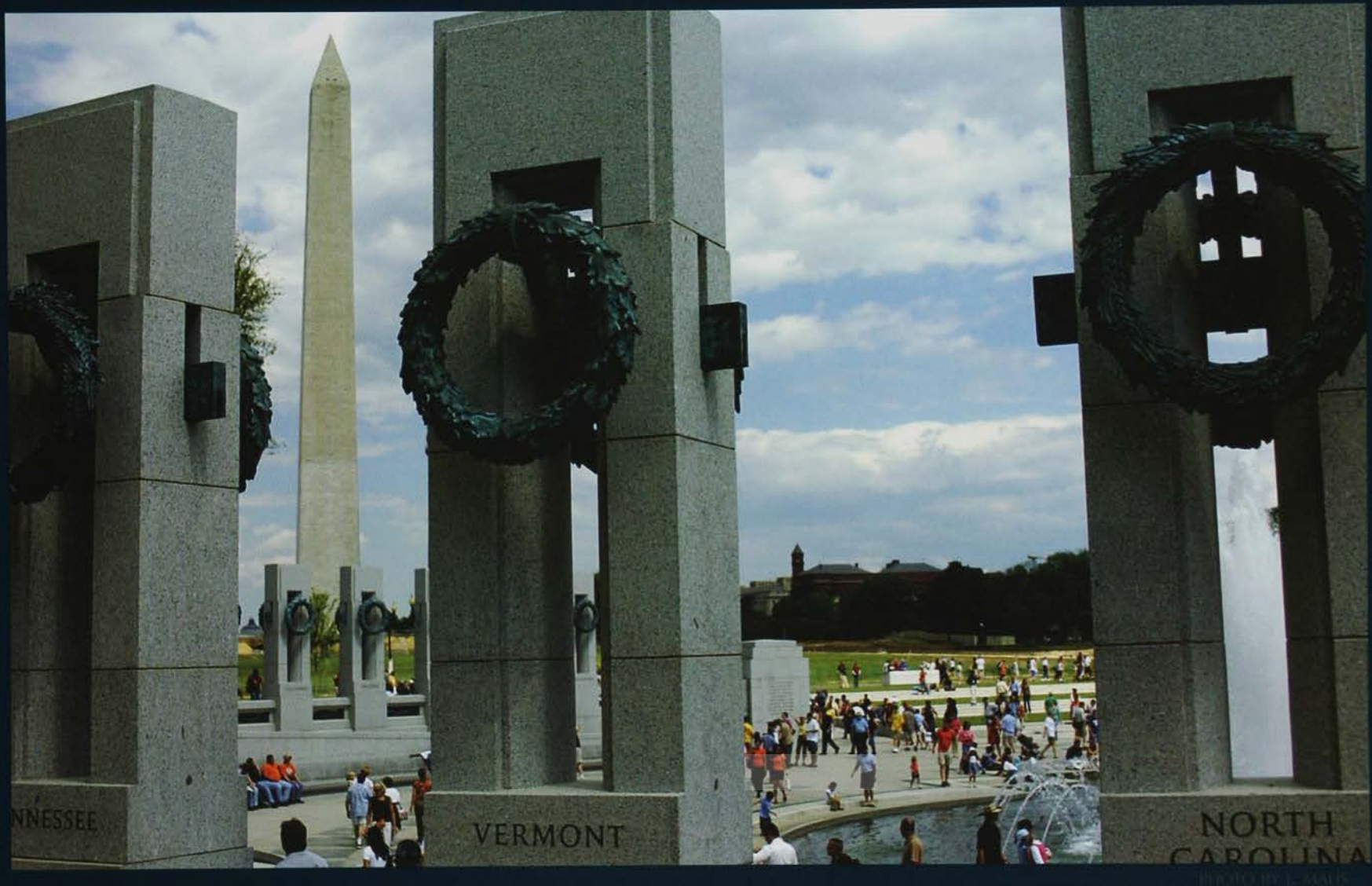


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*but it might with greater propriety be...*



*the City of Magnificent Distances...*



*The City of Magnificent Intentions.*  
-Charles Dickens



*Hail Alma Mater,  
To thy spirit guiding...*



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*Pledge we fidelity  
Ne'er its place resigning...*



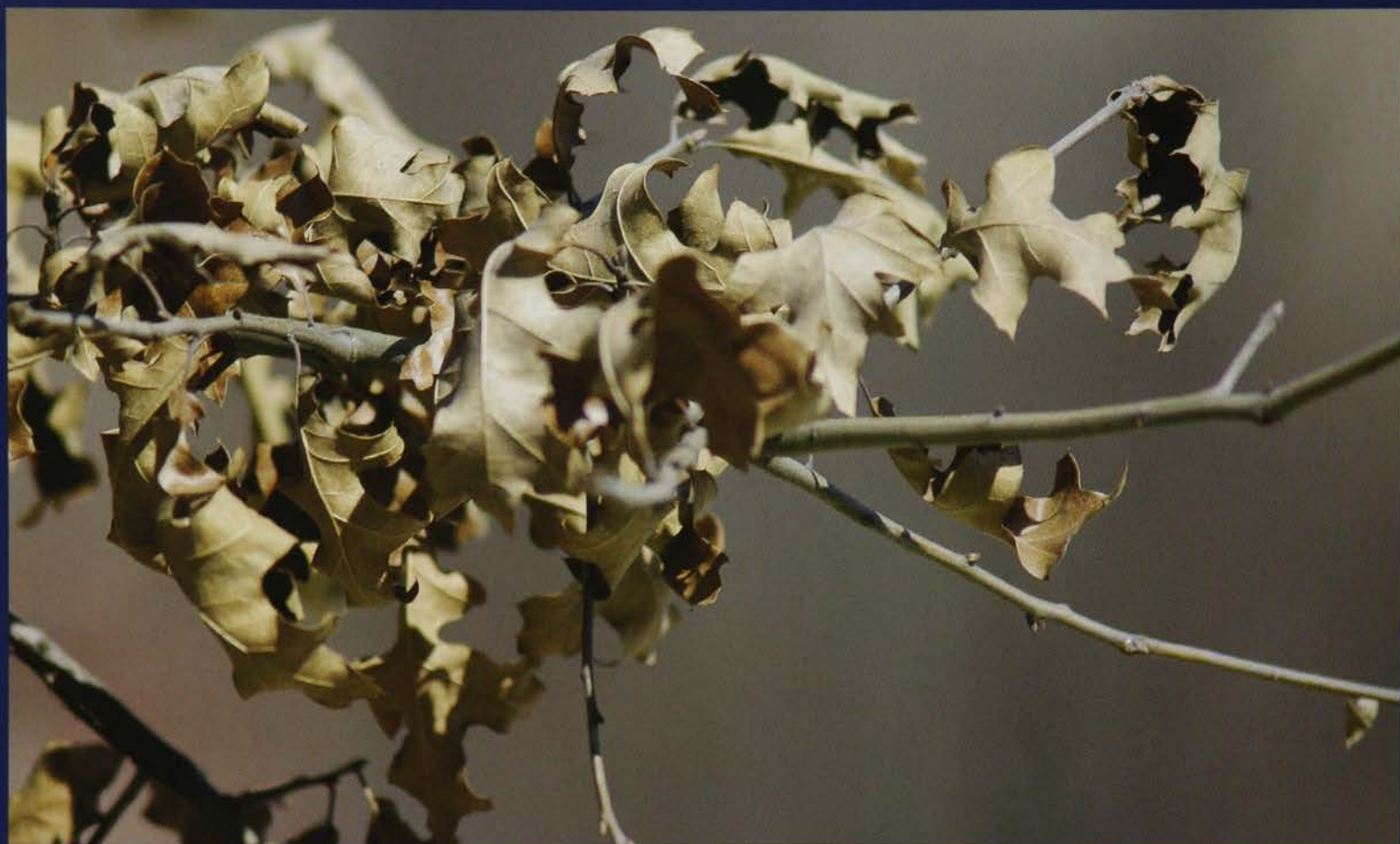
*Knowledge thy closest friend  
In its strength abiding...*



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*Hail thee George Washington  
-GWU Alma Mater*





*"A few days ago  
I was treated to the crunch and rustle of leaves  
with each step I made.  
The acoustics of this season are different  
and all sounds, no matter how hushed,  
are as crisp as autumn air."  
-Eric Sloane*



365

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fall





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*September*



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*-Autumn Moran*



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# Phi Sigma Pi



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# Alpha Phi Omega

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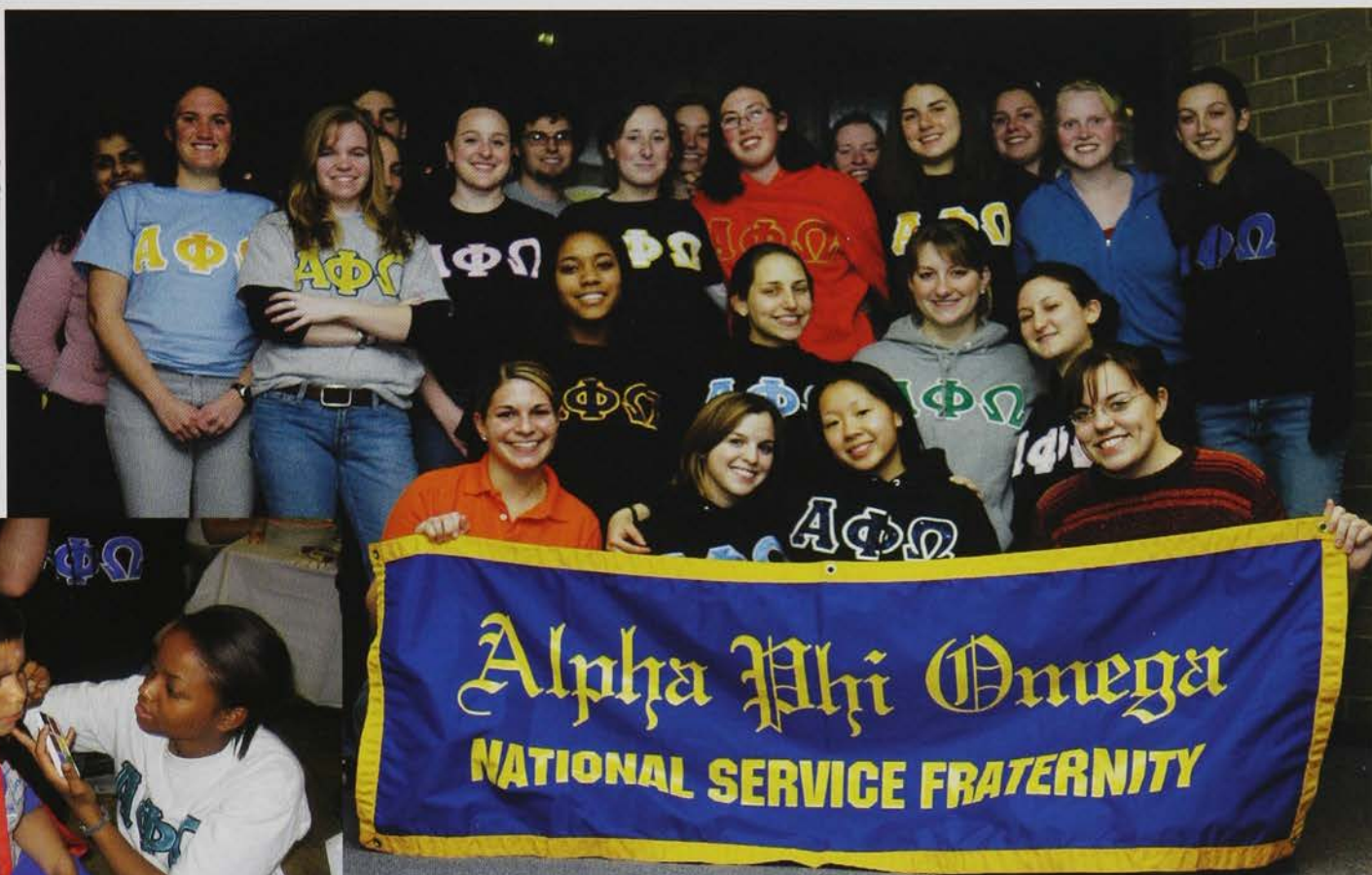


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*-Katie Considine*



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# Have - In



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You know you go to GW when... the Secret Service and Metropolitan Police aids the flow of incoming freshmen to their respective locations. Going to school in DC brings amazing educational opportunities, just do not be surprised when you are required to go through two security checkpoints due to the intricate intelligence precautions of the DC justice system. Actually, all the heightened security did not have much of an influence on move-in – not a ripple in our placid day. Moms and dads communicated via cell phones as they waited patiently for the elevators or heaved many "essentials" up the stairs. Freshmen still lined the streets outside of Thurston and HOVA with carts and bins filled to the brim with clothes and food. Once they become upperclassmen they will learn the savvy ways of early move-in. Across campus, hundreds of students moved into the new upperclassmen residence hall, Ivory Tower, while many Greeks regrouped in their houses on Townhouse Row. Campus leaders helped tremendously, appeasing all situations, and aiding the move-in process. After obtaining keys, schlepping countless items from car to room, and bidding final goodbyes, it was time for students to settle into their new homes and prepare for a jam-packed year of work and fun.

*-Vanessa Greenberg*



# Getting Acquainted







Programs like the Emerging Leaders Program, Community Building Community, and Project Exploration introduce first-year students to their new environment by providing upperclassmen mentors and a small community to meet new friends before their first year of college begins. ELP targets freshmen who hope to take advantage of leadership opportunities available on campus. They are divided into groups that meet weekly with mentors who addresses questions and lead trips to various sites in DC. CBC offers freshmen the opportunity to participate in a variety of community service projects around the city a few days before classes officially begin in late August. At the same time, a group of adventurous GW students are exploring the wilderness of West Virginia as part of PE. Students bond quickly as they raft, hike, and roast marshmallows. While all of these programs allow freshmen to explore student life opportunities at GW, the end result often provides a great group of friends who share common interests that help each other to start off their first year in college with a sense of belonging.

*-Katie Constaline*



# Welcome Week



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Returning to campus with a bang, GW students were welcomed back with a host of annual events that marked the end of the summer and the commencement of college life. The Student Activities Center and Program Board combined efforts to set a new standard for the annual Welcome Week and Fall Fest through adding three extra days of festivities and bringing musical-headliner Pat McGee Band to Fall Fest. Following the theme of “laugh out loud,” stand-up comic Godfrey (“the 7-Up guy”) and Saturday Night Live cast-member Seth Meyers kicked off the series of events. The comedy theme continued as former Daily Show correspondent Mo Rocca offered up some of his well-known political satire to a crowd of 4,000

students. Rocca helped ease students into their studying with some entertaining power point presentations and animated expressions- if only all professors had Mo's wit and stage presence. Student groups fired up the grill on the University Quad for Fall Fest where students could enjoy free burgers and hotdogs while appreciating the musical talents of Last Week, Matt Nathanson, and Pat McGee Band. Additional Welcome Week activities included a scavenger hunt around DC, movies, contests and prizes. Other than getting students' minds off of the impending work load, the events of Welcome Week brought out a young-at-heart side of the diligent GW college student, and was certainly a great way to ring in the new academic year of '04-'05.

-Meghan Gibas

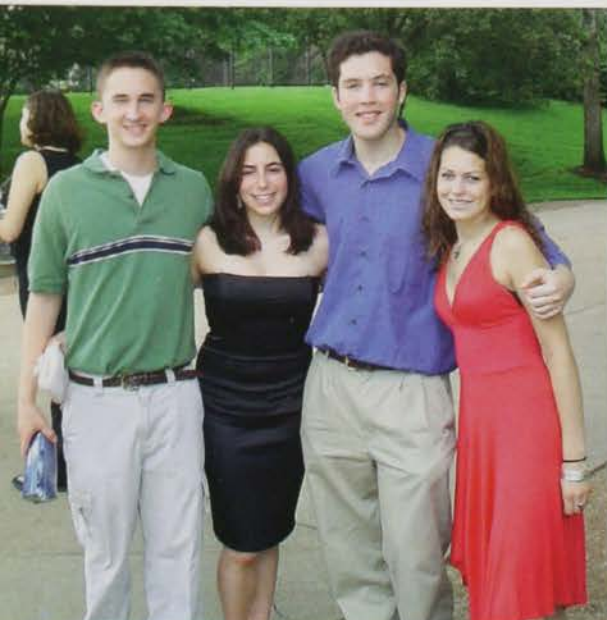


# Fall Fest



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Few GW experiences have the potential to be as chaotic as the annual residence hall move-in that takes place at the end of every August. Campus is abuzz as thousands of students and their parents frantically compete for carts and parking spaces that are both at a premium. Fortunately, thanks to the work of the Residence Hall Association, the annual migration back to campus unfolded smoothly. Throughout the year, the RHA offered information and resources regarding resident concerns and hall events. The organization continued to be relentlessly committed to GW students and constantly endeavored to solve residential problems. The RHA takes on the mission year-after-year of improving the overall quality of life on campus through the sponsorship of social and community service events designed to help GW students feel comfortable in their living communities. The organization's signature event was Martha's Marathon, a charity auction where students have the chance to win prizes, including the top five housing lottery picks. With University housing options constantly changing, it is because of RHA that GW students can all sleep a little more peacefully in their dorm rooms and apartments each night.

*Vanessa Greenberg*

## *Residence Hall Association*





## Program Board



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*M* Rocca. Black Eyed Peas. Lloyd Banks. These are just a few of the headliners who have made their way to Foggy Bottom this year, thanks to the Program Board. PB is an entirely student-run organization that seeks to keep the student body engaged and excited through quality concerts, speakers, festivals, and social events. Chances are, if you've ever carried a GWorld, you've been to a PB event. The organization brings quality programming to GW's two campuses by forming positive business relationships with bands, entertainers, political figures, and the local arts community; allowing GW students to see artists and shows that they might never get a chance to see otherwise. The Program Board's largest events are Fall Fest and Spring Fling, which take place on the quad and combine games, food, prizes, and performances. While these festivals may draw the largest crowds, the organization sponsors or co-sponsors an event on campus nearly every week. Adding dimension to the college experience, the activities that PB plans provide a brief and enjoyable respite from the non-stop papers, midterms, and internships.

*-Katie Considine*



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# Revamped J Street







Ever wonder what happened to the logical progression of the alphabet between I Street and K Street? Legend has it that Pierre L'Enfant, the architect of DC's layout had an intense rivalry with the first U.S. Supreme Court Justice, John Jay, and excluded the letter "J" from the street names out of spite. Always game for a political pun, GW's food court wryly took on the name "J Street." The truth is that when the streets were first labeled, the letter J looked too similar to the letter I, so it was left out. To most GW students, however, J Street has a far more important connotation: food! Students returned to campus in 2004 to find J Street sporting a fresh modern look and improved dining options. The new additions included Asian, Italian, Mexican, and American cuisine, as well as re-vamped classics: Subway, Einstein's Bagels, Jamba Juice, and Starbucks. All the best gourmet food made so you can pick it up, sit in a booth, and catch up on CNN by watching a sleek flat-screen television mounted on the iridescent mini monument.

*Bevin O'cherty*





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*Dedicated to those who lost their lives and their loved ones*



# In Memory of September 11th

*The class of 2005 will be the last class that experienced 9/11 at GW to graduate*

A few events in our nation's history have stood as turning points; they are dates that strike a cord in the hearts of all citizens. With great tragedy comes a fork in the road: to be broken or to be strengthened, and on September 11, 2001 our great nation was struck with this choice. The news that the World Trade Center's twin towers had been attacked became a frozen moment in time where one day grandchildren will ask you, "where were you when?" When the walls of the Pentagon fell and another plane hit the ground in Somerset County, Pennsylvania moments later, New York City and Washington D.C. police and firefighters braved the odds in an attempt to save as many innocent lives as possible, sometimes with the price being their own. Their immediate response set the precedent for the rest of the country: to rise up and find strength. As Americans, we emerged from September 11th with refreshed patriotism breathed into the pulse of our nation. In remembering 9/11, we reflect upon great loss, the individuals who were taken from their husbands, wives, sons, daughters, mothers, and fathers. But we also recall how an entire country joined hands and united under our founding principles: life, liberty, and the pursuit of happiness. Within the darkest hour, the diverse people of our country rose with a single step under the common identity of American. This commonality transcends ethnic, political, and gender lines: we are human beings with a basic right to live, decide our fate, and pursue our potential. Through our differences, we have an unwavering belief in what we stand for as a whole. Finding the positive in such a time of great sadness often meets great challenges, but as Americans lit candles, draped red stripes and blue stars, embraced, prayed, and braved the odds-- something unique added to our character as a nation: resilience.

*-Caitlin B. Doherty*



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# Rush

ΒΘΠ ΑΕΠ ΤΚΕ ΛΧΑ ΚΣ ΦΣΚ ΘΔΧ ΣΝ ΦΚΨ ΣΦΕ ΠΚΦ ΠΚΑ



Soon after everyone settled into the dorms, GW Greek life went into full-swing and fraternity rush commenced. While every fraternity promoted friendship, academic excellence, athletics, and community service, rush also allowed each chapter to promote their individuality. Underclassmen decided to rush for many reasons, but the majority sought the ties of brotherhood and the close-knit community. Fraternities allowed men to find a niche and develop the friendships that make the college experience memorable. During the two week process, each house hosted a number of fun events, ranging from BBQs to baseball games, that rushees attended in order to get to know the current brothers. At the end of the two weeks, fraternities extended bids and welcomed a new group of men to their respective chapters. After rush, each fraternity began the process of integrating their new members into their unique brotherhood.

*- Caitlin B. Deherty*

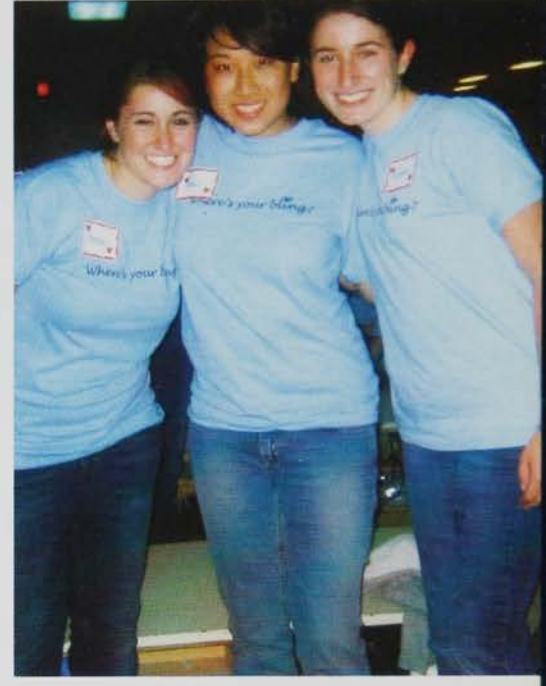


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ΑΔΠ ΑΕΦ ΑΦ ΔΓ ΚΚΓ ΦΣΣ ΣΔΤ ΣΚ

## Recruitment



Formal recruitment invited non-Greek women to participate in a six day mutual-selection process to help them find a sorority that fit their individual and social interests. On the first two nights of recruitment, potential new members, or "PNMs," met sisters from all eight sororities on campus. On the third night, PNMs returned to five chapters to learn about each sorority's philanthropies and meet more sisters. The following night, "Invitation Night," gave the women a considerable amount of time to discern how their final three choices were suited to their individuality. The final night of recruitment, "Pref Night," allowed PNMs to participate in a time-honored tradition from two chapters and decide on a number-one choice. Many cite the sixth day as the most exciting, as 215 PNMs anxiously received bids. All the sororities welcomed their new members with various Bid Day activities ranging from a hayride to a riverboat cruise. As the women celebrated, the bonds of sisterhood began to form on the foundation of friendship.

- Caitlin B. Deherty



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The Office of Greek Life is responsible for overseeing the Interfraternity Council, the Multicultural Greek Council, and the Panhellenic Association. The Greek Life staff serve as interactive liaisons between the Greek community and GW. Through advocating for the needs of the Greek community, ensuring their voice and concerns are heard, and promoting the positive qualities of the Greek community to the GW community, the Office of Greek Affairs facilitates a positive environment for GW Greeks to thrive.

## *Office of Greek Affairs*

## *Multicultural Greek Council*

The Multicultural Greek Council (MGC) is the umbrella organization that serves as the governing body for heritage-proud, cultural-based Greek-lettered fraternities and sororities. Members of the National Pan-Hellenic Council (NPHC), National Association of Latino Fraternal Organizations (NALFO), Asian, and South Asian Greek organizations. Their goal is to foster a sense of community both among their member organizations and the context of the GW Greek community as a whole.



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The 2005 Panhellenic Association is a combined executive and delegate board of sixteen women from every sorority chosen to maintain a cohesive output of events, recruitment organization and general Greek awareness on campus. Panhel puts on a myriad of events ranging from speakers on eating disorders to a cosmopolitan-themed fashion show that raised money for the less fortunate. Over the summer, Panhel organized and planned events for the annual Fall formal recruitment.

## *Panhellenic Association*

## *Inter-Fraternity Council*

The Inter-Fraternity Council, or IFC, was founded for the purposes of promoting fraternity life and providing a forum for the discussion of issues that affect fraternities and their members. Since 1856, fraternities at GW have come together under the common bond of brotherhood to improve campus life and serve the Foggy Bottom community. The IFC provides cohesion to all-inclusive Greek events such as Greek Week and various community service projects. One of their major feats is the organization of rush in the Fall and Spring.



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## "Tradition of Leadership"

Sisterhood was one of the main focuses of the GW chapter of Kappa Kappa Gamma. The members enjoyed many fun bonding activities including a whitewater rafting trip, a Washington Wizards basketball game, and several sisterhood dinners. The sisters were found around the city hosting mixers, crush parties and date parties with fun themes like "Hawaiian Luau" and "Greek Toga." Kappa Kappa Gamma also pursued philanthropy actively, hosting the annual Kappa Kickball Tournament, a competition that fraternities and student groups participated. The proceeds of the event benefited Reading Is Fundamental, the oldest and largest children's non-profit literacy organization in the nation. The members also held a clothing drive and volunteered to read to children in local elementary schools. The sisters actively participated in other Greek organizations' charity events, taking second place in Lambda Chi Alpha's Watermelon Fest, the Beta Cup, and Pi Kappa Alpha's Fireman's Challenge.

-Katie Considine



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# Kappa Kappa Gamma



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# Beta Theta Pi

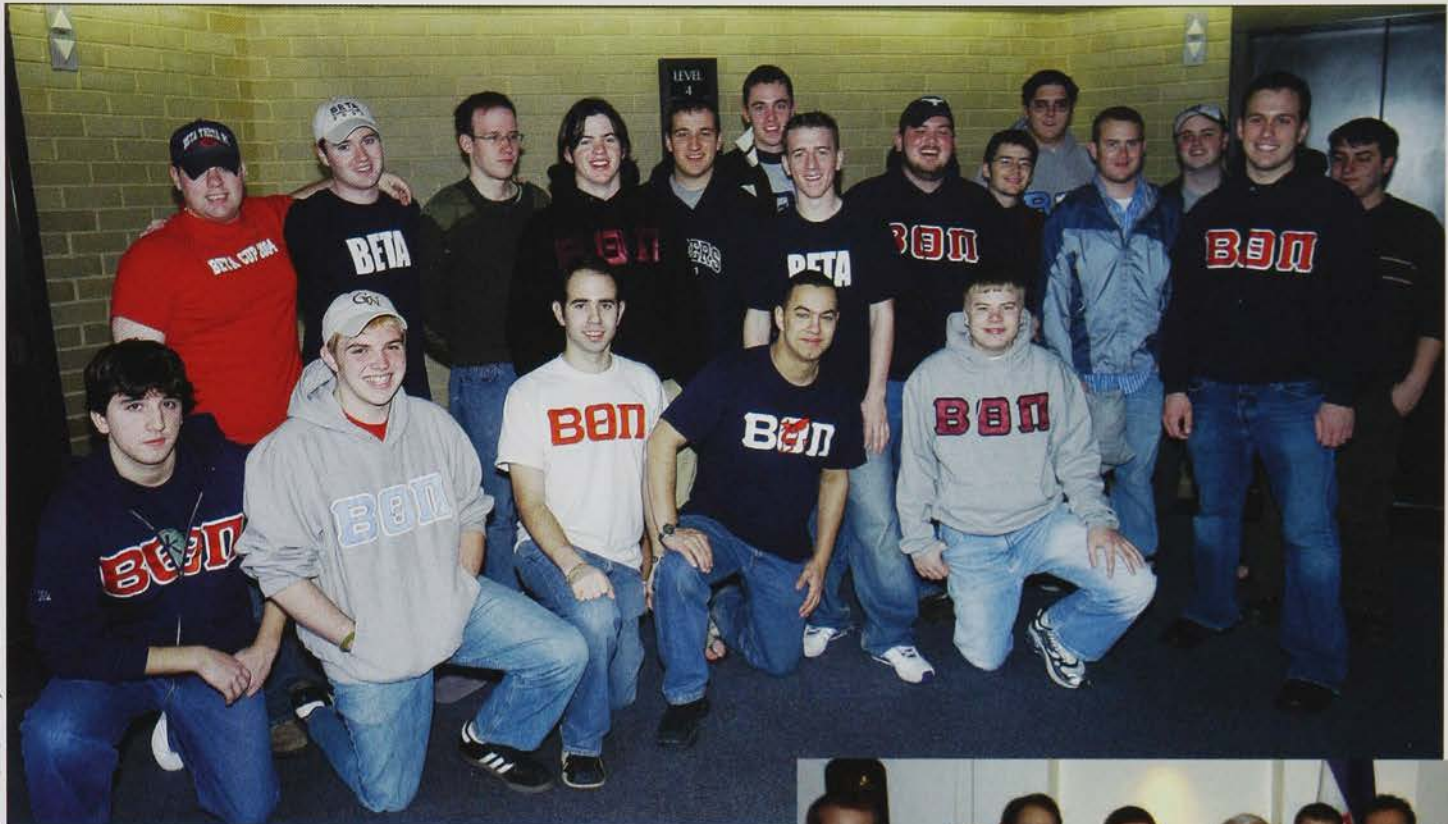


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To kick off the school year, Beta Theta Pi fraternity co-hosted a block party on 22nd Street to celebrate their new townhouse and to foster camaraderie within the Greek community. In October, the third annual Beta Cup, a soccer tournament and fundraiser, was more competitive than ever. With fraternity members as their coaches, sorority sisters on eight different teams went head-to-head, with Alpha Delta Pi placing first in the series of matches.

Overall, the event raised about \$1,400 for Martha's Table, a local charity dedicated to helping underprivileged children and families in DC. Beta Theta Pi also organized the first annual Beach Fest in April. All of the proceeds from this volleyball tournament were donated to the memorial fund for Jenny Dierdoff, a member of the GW Greek community who passed away in 2004. With brothers who took active roles in Colonial Cabinet and College Republicans, the fraternity certainly became more involved in student life this year, but still found time to take a break from the fast-paced city and fish together on the Chesapeake Bay.

-Katie Considine



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*"Worthy of the Highest"*



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# Mount Vernon



48 september







It may only be a ten minute shuttle ride from Foggy Bottom, but to many, the Mount Vernon campus is worlds away from the hustle and bustle of downtown D.C. The 23-acre wooded campus presents a direct contrast to the tall buildings and concrete that surround GW's main campus. Students could be seen around the fountain on the main quad studying and relaxing in the sun throughout the fall and spring. Thanks to the 24-hour shuttle to the Foggy Bottom campus, residents on "the Vern" are really just steps away from all that the heart of the city has to offer. This year, the Mount Vernon Programming Council made life on Foxhall Road more vibrant than ever. The organization sponsored Wacky Wednesdays, a coffeehouse series, film screenings, and Octoberfest. In April, the popular musician Howie Day appeared on Mount Vernon to celebrate the closing of the academic year at GW's annual Fountain Day. Varsity athletes could also be found practicing on the many spacious playing fields. Mount Vernon was also the home of the Elizabeth J. Somers Women's Leadership Program, a year-long, academic program designed to provide knowledge about, and experience in leadership as it relates to women in the arts, economics, politics and science. Overall, Mount Vernon has grown to be a unified part of the GW community.

*-Katie Considine*



# Intramural Sports







Students looking for spirited competition, with minimal practice commitment and maximum fun, had the opportunity to participate in over 30 different intramural sports this year. Intramurals offered a wide variety of options ranging from more popular sports, such as basketball and soccer, to lesser-known activities, such as dodgeball and indoor triathlon. Students could participate in many different leagues and sports as competitions were staggered throughout the year. Facilitated by GW's Recreational Sports department, the majority of intramural sports took place in the Lerner Health and Wellness Center, with a few exceptions for outdoor sports such as flag football. Intramurals allowed GW students a forum for healthy competition at all different skill levels. Though there was a generally relaxed atmosphere, competition did get fairly serious during play-offs. While many participated in intramurals for mere fun, others vied for a league championship title and, of course, the champion t-shirt!

*-Devin Williams*





## Student Information Fairs

It can be difficult, and even overwhelming, to sort through the myriad of opportunities available to GW students on-campus and in the greater Washington metropolitan. To help narrow down the prospects, offices like the Student Activities Center and the Career Center made this otherwise daunting task a little easier by offering informational fairs throughout the year. In the summer and at the beginning of the academic year, SAC sponsors student organization fairs to familiarize students both new and old with the diverse groups that exist at GW. The Office of Community Service organized a fair at the beginning of each semester to raise awareness about service projects and philanthropic organizations that students could join. Following the initial series of involvement fairs, the Career Center offered campaigns in both the fall and the spring where students could network with prospective employers for internship and job opportunities. GW fairs were an excellent way for GW students to capitalize on the advantages available to them and to find an outlet for their various passions and talents.

*Katie Considine*



# Student Activities Center



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Students come to The George Washington University for an academic degree, but most leave enriched with a far more extensive education through the opportunities and events offered outside of the classroom. Many of these activities took place thanks to the Student Activities Center. SAC is the umbrella organization that facilitates virtually all student involvement at GW. Under the leadership of Director Tim Miller, the organizations and activities sponsored by SAC allowed students to foster student life and a sense of citizenship in the University community. The broad scope of opportunities

offered by SAC ranged. Involvement included everything from outdoor adventures with GW TRAILS to civic engagement with the Office of Community Service. The Student Activities Center oversaw approximately 350 student organizations during the 2004-2005 academic year. SAC helped the diverse mix of organizations connect to one another and often co-sponsored many different events. The office also organized special events that occurred throughout the year. Stress Free Zone, Welcome Week, Fall Fest, Spring Fling, and the Excellence Awards are a few examples. Through its dedication to the student population of GW, SAC enhanced student life from all angles.

*Katie Considine*





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*October*





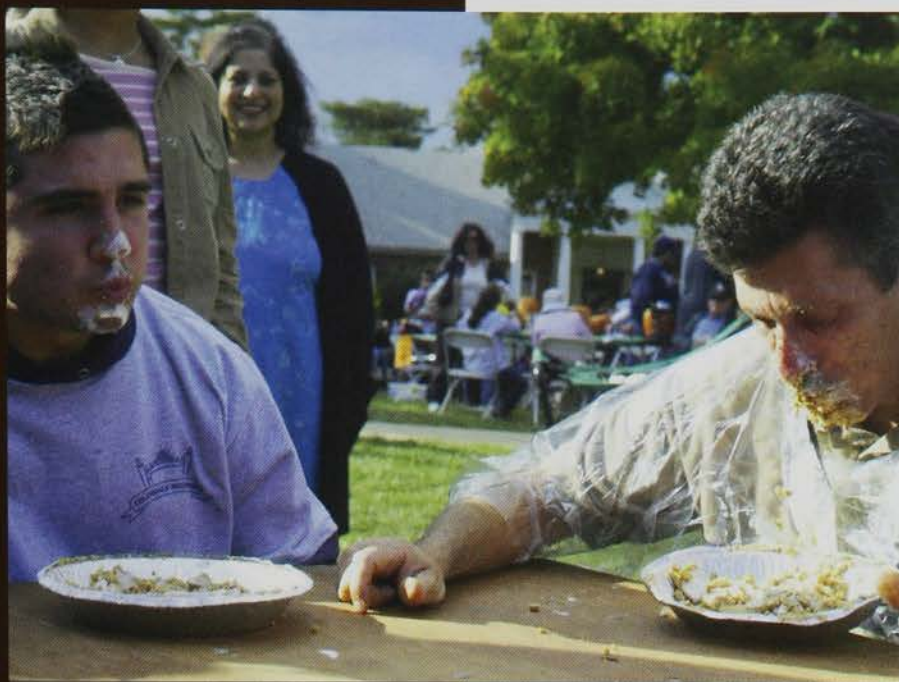
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# Colonials Weekend

Two years ago the university decided to combine Parents Weekend and Alumni Weekend into one colossal event called Colonials Weekend. From a famous diva to a sarcastic comedian, live jazz and a sing-a-long classic, Colonials Weekend was chock-full of entertainment. Parents, students, and alumni enjoyed delectable dinners at the University Club and a Sunday brunch at the Mount Vernon Campus. Belgian waffles, lox bagels, and fresh fruit did not encompass all Mount Vernon had to offer, as Oktoberfest served up a bevy of autumn-themed events. Oktoberfest include events such as pumpkin decorating, relay races, pie eating contests, and hay rides. The annual celebration brought celebrity headliners Patti Labelle and Dana Carvey to cater to the musical and comedic tastes of the GW community. The copious amount of activities gave parents and alumni a taste of their old college days, and although many probably would have preferred to stay, students helped shuffle their parents to their proper vehicles and with a kiss goodbye, the normal campus activities resumed.

*-Meghan Gibas*



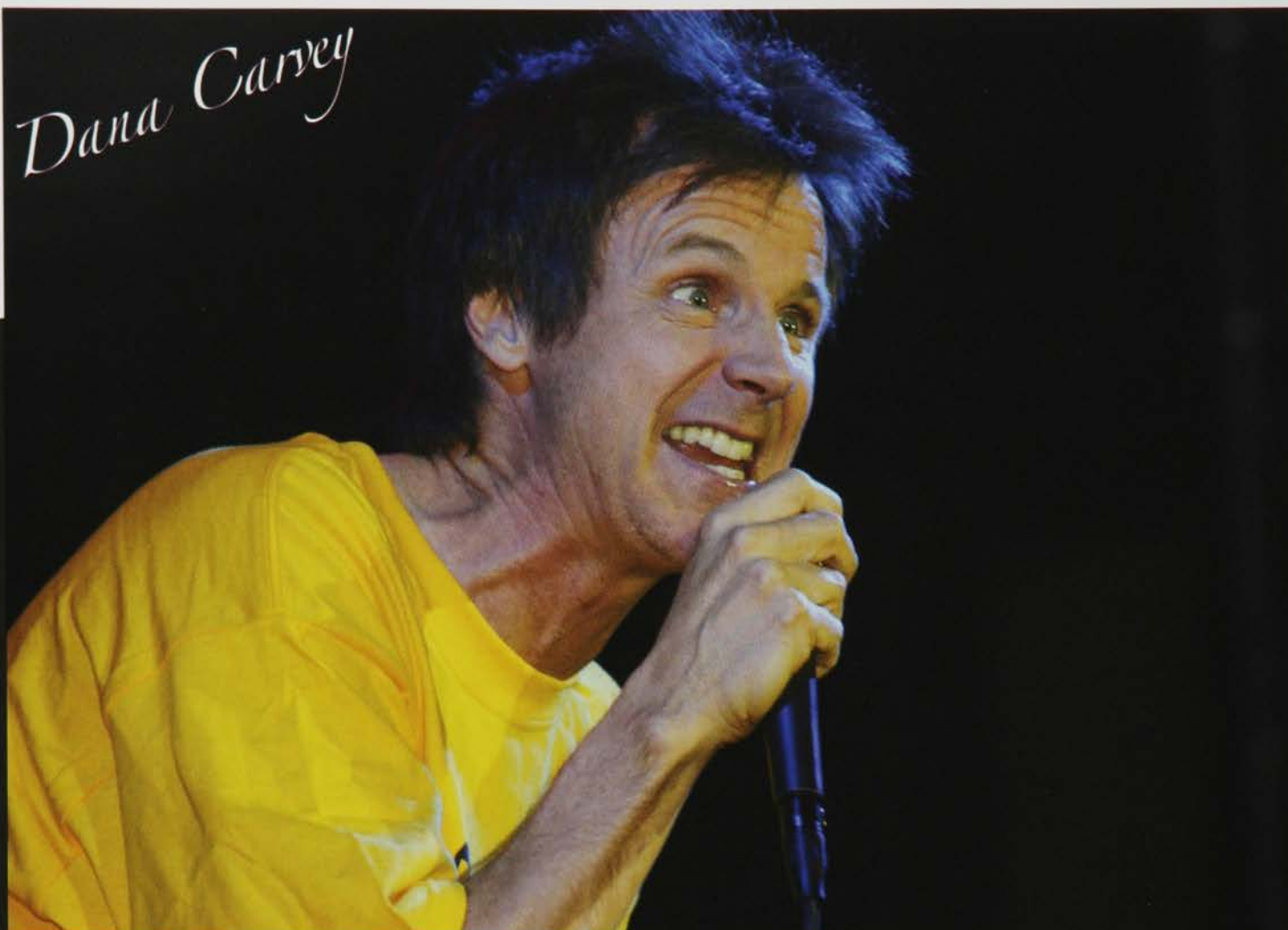


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*Dana Carvey*



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Hysterical laughter filled the Smith Center, as Saturday Night Live star Dana Carvey performed a show with a mixture of his famous impressions, TV characters, and GW-targeted wisecracks. The Emmy Award winning comedy star is well-known for his roles as "The Church Lady" and Garth on "Wayne's World."

Carvey entertained approximately 4,600 students and parents who attended the sold-out show. After commenting on the random relationship between the Colonial and Hippo mascots, Carvey referred to GW tuition as a slightly exaggerated \$48,500. Carvey joked: "When I went to San Francisco State,

our tuition was 95 dollars a year... and we rioted."

The show also appealed to the politically active audience with hilarious impressions of George W.

Bush, Ross Perot, and the 2004 Presidential Election candidates. He poked fun at President Trachtenberg, offering edgy comments that students thoroughly enjoyed. Carvey especially relished in the "power



and gusto of a name like *TRACHTENBERG*." He catered to the parents in the audience by a segment of jokes regarding the full-time job of parenting. Carvey captivated the love of his audience in his concluding punch line: "Georgetown rightfully sucks compared to you guys!" Right on.

*-Megan Gibas*



# Colonial Headliners



*Patti LaBelle*

Soul-singing diva Patti LaBelle performed for a packed house of students, parents and alumni during Colonials Weekend. Thirty-one years ago Labelle's performance group became the first African-American act ever to appear at New York's Metropolitan Opera House. This two time Grammy-winning historical and musical legend was a real treat to all those who were lucky enough to get tickets to the sold-out show. LaBelle's booming voice drew many to the stage; parents and students alike wanting to get as close as possible to this magnetic celebrity. One of the only



times in which students and parents found themselves enjoying the same concert, the Patti LaBelle performance pulled together the essence of Colonials Weekend. LaBelle brought down the house with some of her greatest hits, such as "I'm

in Love Again" and "Burnin'." Her captivated audience enjoyed many of the songs that have highlighted the successful music legends' long-standing career.

*-Megan Gibas*



# Colonial Invasion

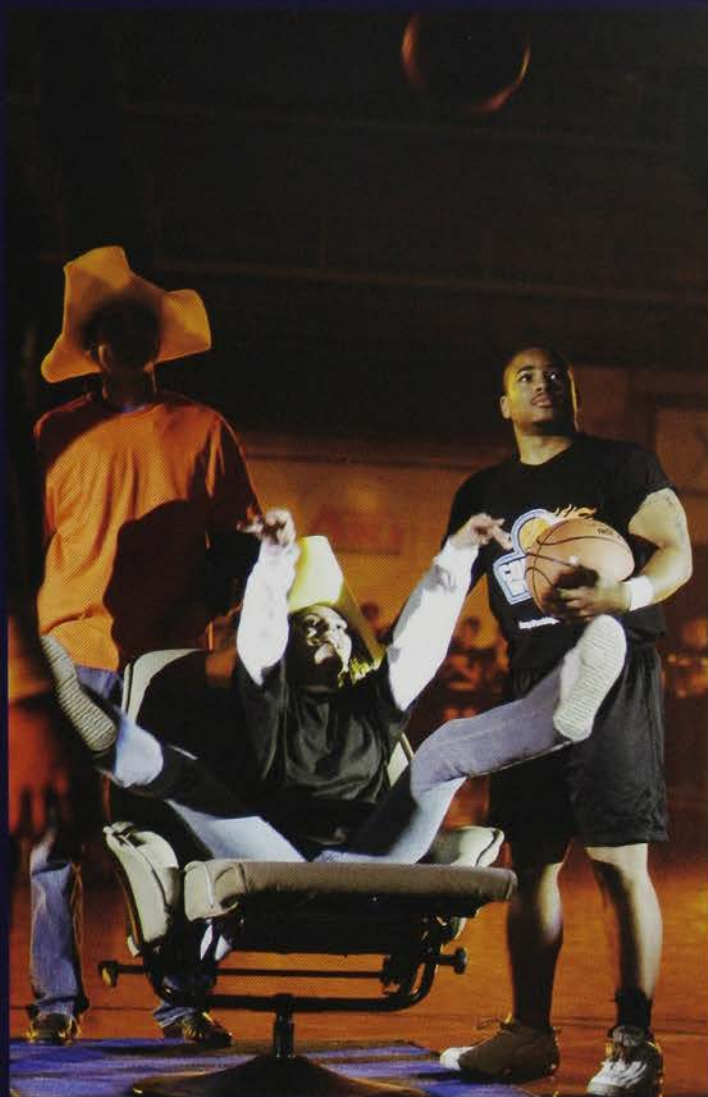


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Almost 2,000 students gathered on Thursday, October 28th to welcome in the new basketball season. The celebration, called Colonial Invasion, brought the student body together, especially freshmen, to preview the excitement of GW's most anticipated season. The event kicked off with a three-on-three basketball game featuring a team of intramural athletes, who won the McKeown and Hobbes Basketball Challenge, against members of the varsity basketball coaching staff. Directly following the game, the Spirit Office raffled off an incredible array of prizes, including a Vespa Scooter and a 42-inch TV to lucky audience members. Next came introductions of the women's and men's basketball teams. The atmosphere was wild as the women's team ran drills up and down the floor and members of the men's team threw down highlight-reel dunks. Both Coach McKeown and Coach Hobbes talked directly to the fans to get them pumped up about the great potential for the upcoming season. The entire event succeed in motivating the student body to rally around the Colonials for the 2004-2005 season.

*-Devin Williams*





# GW Spirit



For Colonial athletes, there existed an animating force that is always behind them, propelling each team to victory-- all the while keeping the fans engaged and enthused. GW Spirit provided quality heart and soul for the Colonials-- boosting morale and motivating the University community as a whole. Under the direction of Nicole Macchione, the office was responsible for the selection and management of the nationally-ranked GW Cheer Team and the First Ladies Dance Team. The office also supported the mascot program and the Colonial Army. The presence of GW Spirit was felt at every men's and women's basketball home game, and at many other athletic events throughout the year. During basketball games, the office often teamed up with corporate sponsors to provide half-time contests, such as the cash crawl and the limbo contest. The office dedicated its time to the overall promotion of athletic events.

*Katie Considine*

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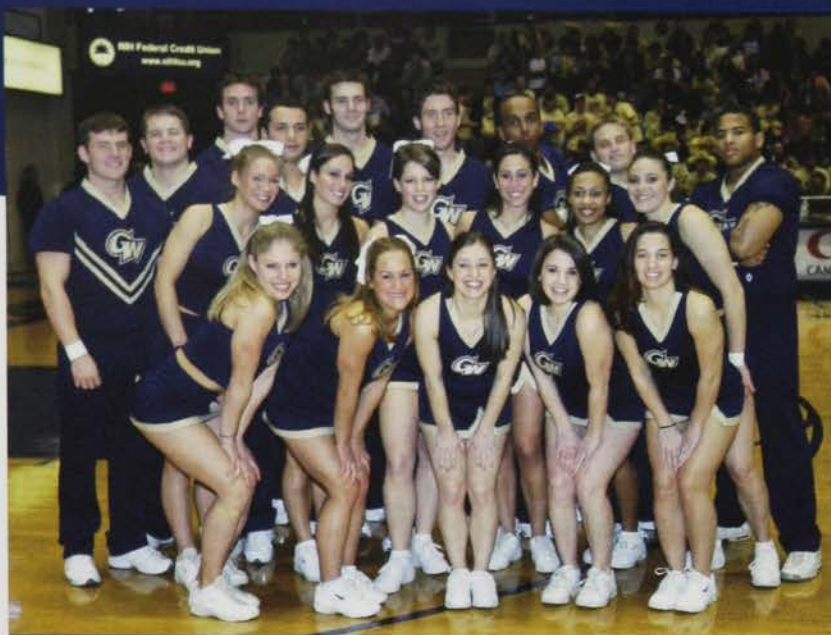


A GW students know the electricity of the stands during each home basketball game. The Smith Center roars with zealous cheers and jovial chants for the favored Colonials. As the men and women's team claimed victory after victory, turn-out to games surged as fans became excited by the success of the talented A-10 elite. The origin of the deafening "Let's go G-Dub!" chant often stemmed from the Colonial Army section of the arena. The Colonial Army boasted the title of GW basketball's biggest fans. Founded in 2003, the organization is the official fan club of both the GW basketball teams and falls under the auspices of the GW Spirit Office and the Athletic Department. Nearly 750 Colonial Army members sported their official buff and blue to show their solidarity and support for the athletes out on the court. The Army also sponsored bus trips to away games and represented the Colonial fan base at rival venues such as the University of Richmond and Temple University. The energy exuded by the Colonial Army was palpable, and whether the basketball team was up by thirty points or down by one, the support and enthusiasm of the organization's members never wavered.

*-Katie Considine*

# Colonial Army





# Cheer Team

(Alphabetically) William Alexander, David Benson, Erica Chase, Heruy Dawit, Erin Dias, Chad Duncan, Alyscia Eisen, Euginia Gluzberg, Johnny Kerr, Thomas Kennedy, Rebecca Klor, Al Laroussi, Allie Lieberman, Megan Newman, Jennifer Pettiford, Paul Schuh, Andrew Tuttle, Hillary Wacks, Robbie White, Adrianna Whys, Stephanie Wolf. Coach: Nicole Macchione.



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The resounding chant bellowed from the megaphones of the GW Cheer Team: "DEFENSE! DEFENSE!" Known for their unrelenting school spirit, the GW Cheer team performed at every Colonial home basketball game and traveled with the teams to the Atlantic-10 and NCAA tournaments. By attending a single game at the Smith Center, one felt the excitement in the atmosphere that the cheerleaders brought to the court. Not only did the cheerleaders lead the Colonial fans in supporting GW athletics, but they also competed in tournaments against other NCAA Division I squads. In the 2004 National Collegiate Cheer Competition, the GW Cheerleaders placed fourth, and continued to live up to their reputation as an elite, nationally recognized program.

*-Devin Williams*



Along with the Cheer Team, the GW First Ladies Dance Team made up the other half of the most school-spirited athletes on campus. The Dance Team performed at all of the home Colonial Basketball games during timeouts and halftime shows. Their high-energy routines kept fans on their feet, as they astonished the crowd with a variety of choreography and dance moves. The team also led the fans in getting pumped up to cheer on the Colonials to victory. Since the First Ladies were established in 1998, the team has continually become more talented and appreciated. In the 2004 National Collegiate Dance Competition, the team placed seventh overall, continuing the tradition of GW's impressive spirit program.

*-Devin Williams*



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(Alphabetically) Meg Cerullo, Catherine Corbo, Jessica Hammers, Jeneva Hinojosa, Ashley Kalimada, Merrill Kassin, Hope Krasniewicz, Sarah Martin, Sarah Puritz, Megan Shea, Katrina Ulcickas, Ariel Wade, Rebecca Wexler, Megan Whittemore, Brianna Zenerovitz. Coach: Jessica Fisher.



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# First Ladies



## Marwin Center Governing Board



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Chrissy Trotta (Chairwoman)  
 Chrissy Caggiano (Vice Chairwoman)  
 Judah Ferst (Undergraduate Member)  
 Andrew Garbarino (MCGB Appointment)  
 Tim Shea (SA Appointment)  
 Aimee Schulman (Secretary)  
 Eric Weigan (PB Appointment)

## Mount Vernon Programming Council

The Mount Vernon Programming Council sponsored events on the Mount Vernon Campus that were open to all GW students. MVPC offered the opportunity for students to participate in karaoke nights and hear live music at monthly "Coffee Houses." The organization also offered free movie nights, where students can see recently-released films like *Team America* and *The Motorcycle Diaries*. The Council's largest undertaking this year was its "Day at the Vern," where the group sponsored trick-or-treating, a community barbecue, and a screening of Alfred Hitchcock's *The Birds*.



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## EMERG

GW-specific student EMTs: Marc Berenson, Ashley Boeri, Adam Carpenter, Matthew Chow, Ryan McCormick, Robin Nagel, Kimberly Stambler, Kris Ansin, Lauren Barlog, Nisha Chadha, Alex Cullen, Ray DeLorenzi, Billy Fritz, Laurie Gashin, Adam Gitlin, Leah Gould, Matthew Hardy, Jay Kaplan, Leighanna Kilgore, Sun Young Kim, Aaron Klinger, Matthew Lowery, Ryan Madden, Sarah Marchegiani, Jon Mendelson, Kristen moody, Robin Nagel, Priti Narula, Melanie Prestidge, Dana Price, Amanda Ritvo, Peter Rothberg, Melissa Stachowiak, Joe Stoffolano, and Leah Wallick

## Books For Africa

Books for Africa sent gently-used books to over twenty different African countries, particularly Nigeria and Ethiopia. Their work helped communities reduce the costs associated with building libraries and educational facilities and allows young people to develop their intellect and imagination. In the past three academic years, the organization has collected over 20,000 books. The group also organized two university textbook drives at the conclusion of the fall and spring semesters.



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## Circle K

Circle K at GW is one of 500 chapters of the world's largest collegiate service organization. The organization aimed to improve the campus and city communities through a variety service projects. The group performed small in-house service projects on a bi-weekly basis. On a larger scale, Circle K members participated in Relay for Life, Senior Prom, AIDS walks, and organized a toiletry drive.





Caitlin Emery, Janine Beha, Rachel Glickhouse, Oliver Truong, Kelly Holmes, and Ami Joglekar

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## *Balance: The GW Ballet Group*

## *The Ballroom Dance Society*

Loren Clark-Moe, Emily Manice, Matthew Meyer, Kathryn Schindler, Paris Agnew, Jasime Bi, Derek Breen, Lorena Brito, Lisa Browning, Nick Bularzik, Aaron Childs, Benjamin Dills, Linda Fecteau, Bill Felson, Hannah George-Wheeler, Rachel I. Gerson, Kate Greenberger, Sam Grossman, Geoff Hainbach, Tracy Klein, Mike Kohn, Alfredo Lagos, Ali Legnos, Countney Loring, Kelly McPhillips, Meghan Medwid, George I. Olsen, Anthony Pandolfo,



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Jennifer Richer, Arthur Sabintsev, Aditi Sawhney, Jessica Schmitt, Mike Schmitz, David Schumer, Dennis Sendros, Matt Spencer, Kyle Stoneman, Andrea Tychanski, Erin Ward, Sara Wendell, Sofia Wicker, Hesham Zakaria, and Bernadette Zielinski





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## Mock Trial

Daniel Brozovic, Christopher Bruno, Brian Burack, Matthew Carney, Lauren Dawson, Kelly Filiak, Emily Fink, Julie Fukes, Bill Gaertner, Jeffrey Goodman, Matthew Helman, Amy Hocraffer, Jenna Hudson, Brent Jostad, Anna Kuhn, Akshaya Kumar, Marlo Leach, Michael McDonough, Anna Milunas, Amanda Moretto, Curtis Raye, Antonios Spiliotopoulos, Rachel Stalnaker, Michelle Tanney, Rod Tobias, Kelly Trevino, Timothy Vaughn, Amber Webb, Jason Cabrera, Michael Corradini, Jen McAlpine, Jay Mehta, and Alex Michael

## Pre-Law Society

Ami Koldhekar, Hajrah Chaudary, Taylor Leavitt, Tim Saccoccia, Elizabeth Boudris, Sara Nicholson, Carmine Iaccarino, and Tanya Patwa



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## American Medical Students Association

Rujuta Bhatt, Maryam Nazemzadeh, Steven Weissbart, Halima Karim, Osama Hanif, Nancy Maaty, Rydhwana Hossain, Natasha Hafez, Rupa Mahadevan, Shaan Chaturvedi, and Priya Dhar



## "Union Hand in Hand"

The members of Alpha Phi know how to have a good time. Even when the sorority was surprised by a last-minute Grab-A-Date party, the sisters were still ready for fun. Alpha Phi also hosted a Boogie Nights crush party at Home nightclub where the ladies and their guests dressed up in their craziest '70s attire. The sorority's formal was held in April at the Jury's Washington Hotel on Dupont Circle. The ladies celebrated sisterhood at the event as the seniors participated in a special toast. The outgoing graduates gathered on the dance floor to tell stories of the last four years. Each senior was then given a superlative and a rose. Alpha Phi also held a sisterhood retreat in October

at High Hill Farms in Virginia. The young women spent the day apple picking, enjoying hay rides and picking pumpkins to decorate their chapter townhouse. Philanthropy was also an important pillar for the sorority which hosted their annual Dating Game. The "game show" matched bachelors and bachelorettes from the Greek community and the proceeds raised benefited the Alpha Phi Foundation for Women's Cardiac Health.

*-Katie Considine*



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# Alpha Phi



# Tau Kappa Epsilon



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Perhaps one of the most anticipated events within the Greek community, Tau Kappa Epsilon's "Turkey Bowl" is held a week before Thanksgiving. The very competitive flag football tournament between sororities puts everyone in the holiday mood. Prior to going home for turkey, the brothers and alumni of Tau Kappa Epsilon have an early Thanksgiving dinner, with each brother bringing a different dish. Tau Kappa Epsilon, continuing the holiday celebrations, also hosts a Christmas party for the chapter as a kickoff for the winter break. The brothers of Tau Kappa Epsilon are very competitive in the intramural sports program, competing against other fraternities and groups in soccer, volleyball and basketball within the Greek League. When the brothers are taking a break from athletics, many of them participate in the "Turning the Page" program, which promotes literacy by reading to children in area schools. Awards for community service are given out at their formal in May at Sequoia, which

marked the 70th anniversary for Tau Kappa Epsilon at GW.

-Autumn Moran



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"Love, Charity, Esteem"



# Lambda Pi Chi



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*L*atinas Promoviendo Comunidad, also known as the Lambda Pi Chi Sorority, represents a tradition of strong, proud women whose lives and achievements reflect a commitment to public service, sisterhood, and the preservation of their rich hispanic cultural legacies. During the 2004-2005 school year, the sisters of Lambda Pi Chi worked together to raise money for their national philanthropy, Project L.E.A.A.P. (Latinas Education on AIDS Awareness and Prevention). Comprised of undergraduate, graduate, and professional women, the women of Lambda Pi Chi seek to unify women through the promotion of community service programs that highlight the contributions of women and cultural minorities. The organization also offered opportunities for academic and professional advancement to members of historically under-represented groups.

*-Autumn Moran*

*"La Hermandad Nunca Termina"*



## "A Community-Conscious, Action-Oriented Organization"

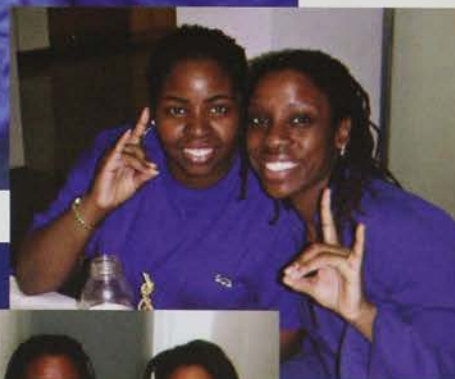
The first chapter of Zeta Phi Beta was founded down the river from GW at Howard University in 1920. It was founded with a unique concept of contributing to society as a progressive organization rooted in sisterhood. Zeta Phi Beta sought to "address societal more, ills, prejudices, poverty, and health concerns of the day," according to its recorded history. The unique premise that began in 1920 at Howard came to GW in 1997 and continues to grow. The chapter sponsored discussions on campus everywhere from interracial dating, domestic violence, and cultural heritage. While the chapter is active in the GW community, it strives to extend a hand to the greater DC community. The motivated service-oriented ladies brought a mentoring program to the School Without Walls High School and volunteered at Zacchaeus's Kitchen. The chapter continued to develop service programs through Z-HOPE, Zetas Helping Other People Excel, and certainly embodied the philanthropic pillar that all Greeks strive to uphold.

- Caitlin B. Doherty

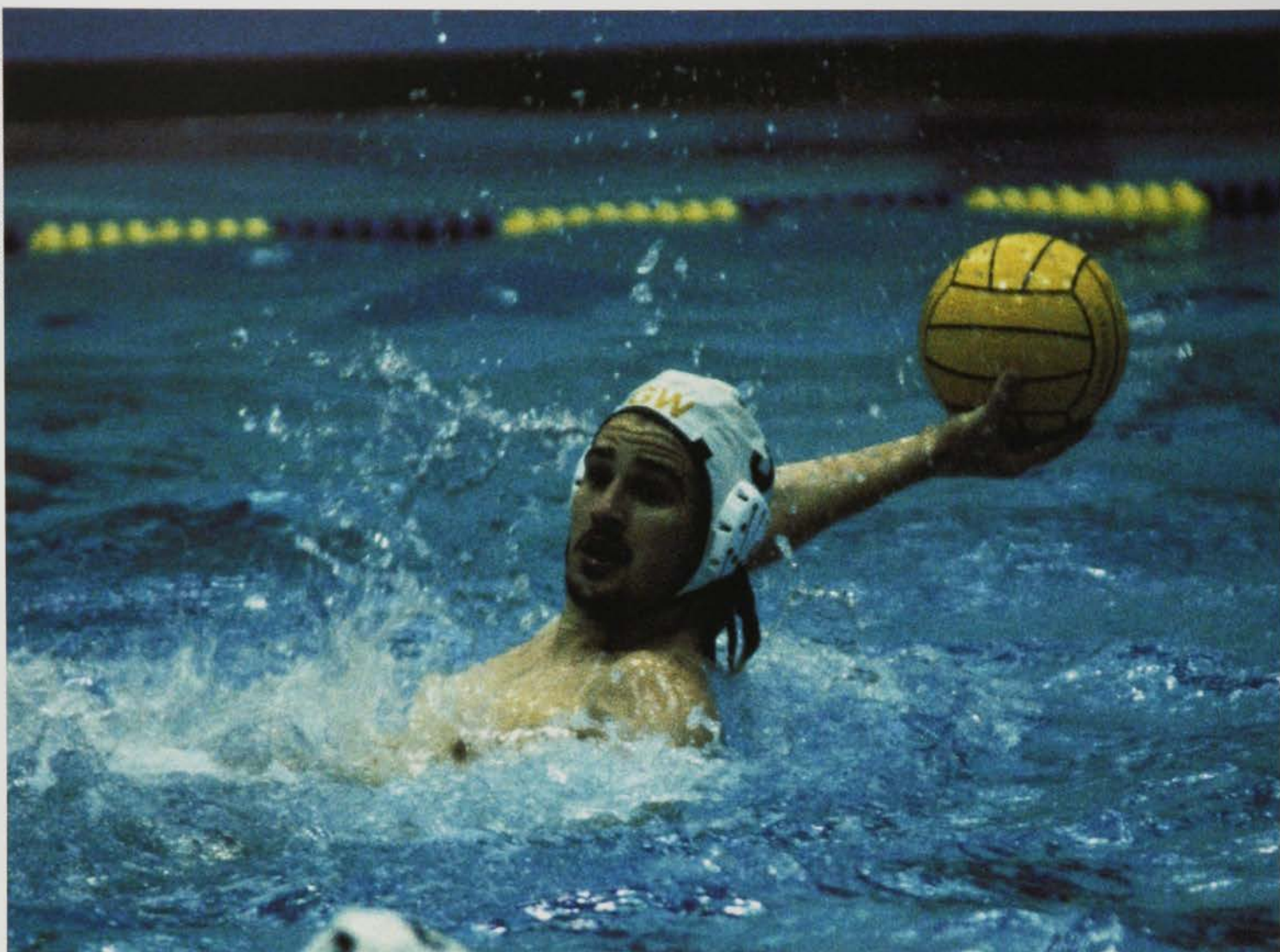


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# Zeta Phi Beta







The Men's Water Polo team entered the 2004 season with high expectations after taking fourth at the Southern Championships last year and qualifying for the CWPA Eastern Championship. Five players, all of which saw more than 100 quarters of action last season returned, including senior co-captain Nick Koenemann. With the addition of five freshmen, the team looked to take the next step towards capturing the Southern Championship crown. The season started off slow as the Colonials won only two of their first ten matches. They turned the heat on near the end of the season with three straight wins and then a thrilling victory over second seeded Gannon in their first match at the Southern Championship. The team closed their 2004 campaign with a seventh place finish at the championship and a final record of 9-19. Koenemann led GW with 53 goals in 2004 and was named to the CWPA's Southern Division All-Conference First Team.

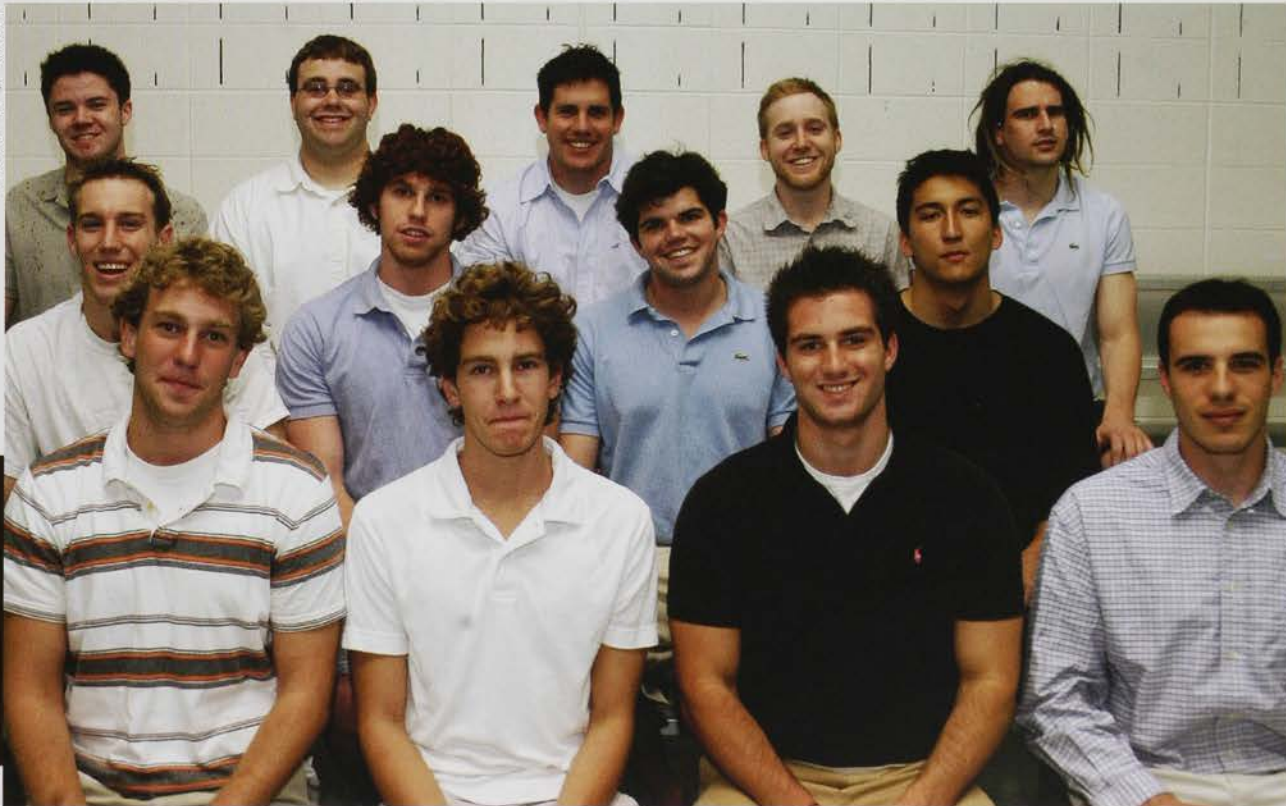
-Devin Williams

# Men's Waterpolo





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(Alphabetically) Greg Abate, Robert Cromer, Brett DuBois, Nick Eddy, Anthony Guadagni, John Hornberger, John Jennings, Nick Koenemann, Jonathan Lo, Tom Mills, Julian Price, Srdan Randic, Chris Whittam, Taylor Woodbury. Coach Scott Reed



From the beginning, the 2004 season presented a challenge to the GW volleyball team. The team lost four outstanding seniors last year, including an AVCA All-American and two Atlantic 10 All-Conference performers; however, with the return of ten strong players and five new freshmen, George Washington was looking to be an unexpected competitor in the conference.

The team struggled from the beginning, as the Colonials lost their opening match three to one against the 24th ranked Utah. The women had a seven game funk before defeating Jacksonville three to one in the opening round of the GW Volleyball Invitational. The Colonials then notched two more wins against Binghamton and Akron to take the tournament title. Unfortunately, when Atlantic 10 conference play began, the team struggled again and fell short of making the play-offs. The women finished with a record of 7-23.

This season proved to be a rebuilding year for the program, but the team will lose only two graduating seniors, co-captains Molly Law and Katie Downey. Law was awarded the team's Most Valuable Player at the end of the season. With a veteran team returning next year, the Colonials hope to regain their former prominence at the top of the conference.

*-Devia Williams*

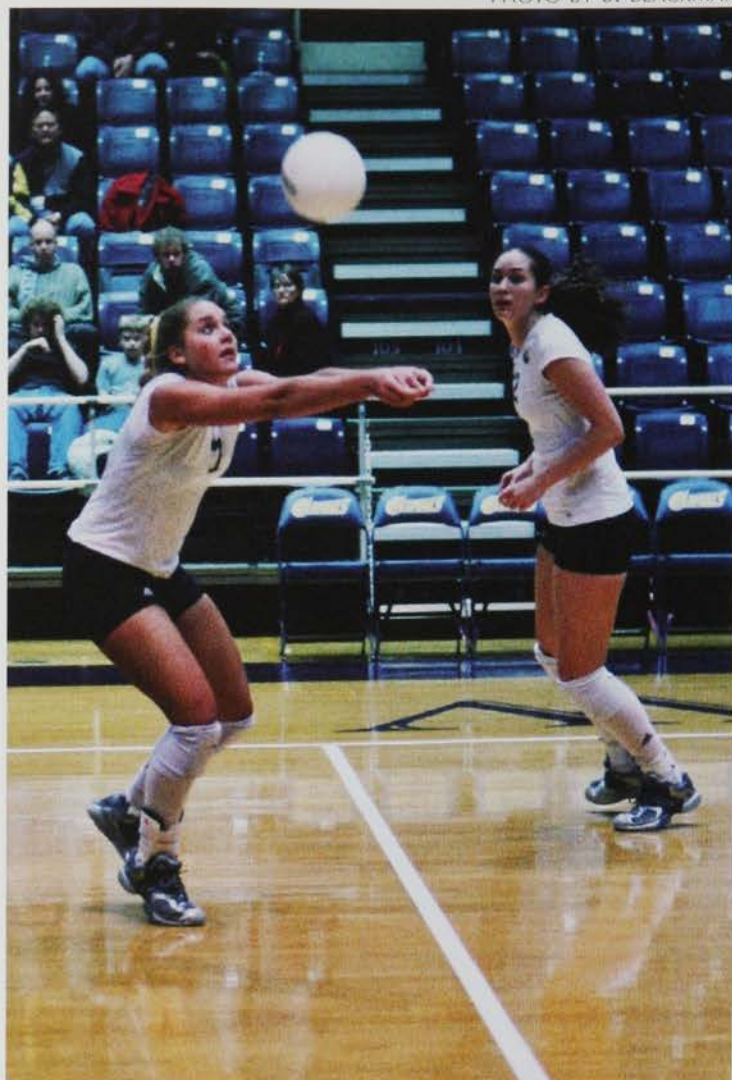


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(Alphabetically) Janine Brown, Jessica Buche, Katie Downey, Abigail Greenleaf, Abigail Hatter, Kelley Kabbes, Molly Law, Kaimana Lee, Juliene McLaughlin, Shannon Parks, Brittney Retzinger, Linsey Vernand, Jessica Vesey, Erica Williams. Coach: Jojit Coronel



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# Volleyball



With a wealth of experienced players and added depth, the women's soccer team was poised to make a run at the A-10 conference championship. The team returned 16 players and added 12 newcomers to make this season's team one of the deepest ever at GW. Conference play did not go as well as anticipated, as the Colonials struggled with consistency throughout the season; however, the team kept their postseason hopes alive with a crucial victory over Temple in the second to last game of the season. Senior Kelly Lawten scored her second game-winning goal of the season in the 84th minute to give the Colonials the victory. In the last game of the season against St. Joseph's, the Colonials suffered a heartbreaking 1-0 loss that prevented them from grabbing the sixth and final A-10 tournament spot. Overall, the team had a strong year, and it was highlighted by the outstanding play of senior captains Lindsay Bruno and Kelly Lawten. Bruno was selected to the second All-Conference Team and Lawten scored crucial goals in her final games at GW. Both Bruno and Lawten came in as top recruits as freshmen, and helped rebuild the women's soccer team to a regionally ranked and nationally recognized program. The team has built upon the foundation created by these seniors and must step-up the level of play to elevate their success next season.

*-Devin Williams*



(Alphabetically) Anika Ackerman, Lise Backman, Lindsay Bruno, Nicole Cavino, Erynn Clapp, Kiki Colker, Molly Eckert, Audrey Ehrhorn, Katelin Fallon, Erica Gilles, Erin Ingle, Anna Handzlik, Julie Harrison, Christine Jodrie, Ina Kain, Amie Kern, Kelly Lawten, Kelly Paolucci, Tara Quinn, Morgan Robinson, Sarah Sample, Rebecca Schumer, Ashley Squires, Jordan Sweeney, Shari Taylor, Nicole Trickett. Coach: Tanya Vogel.

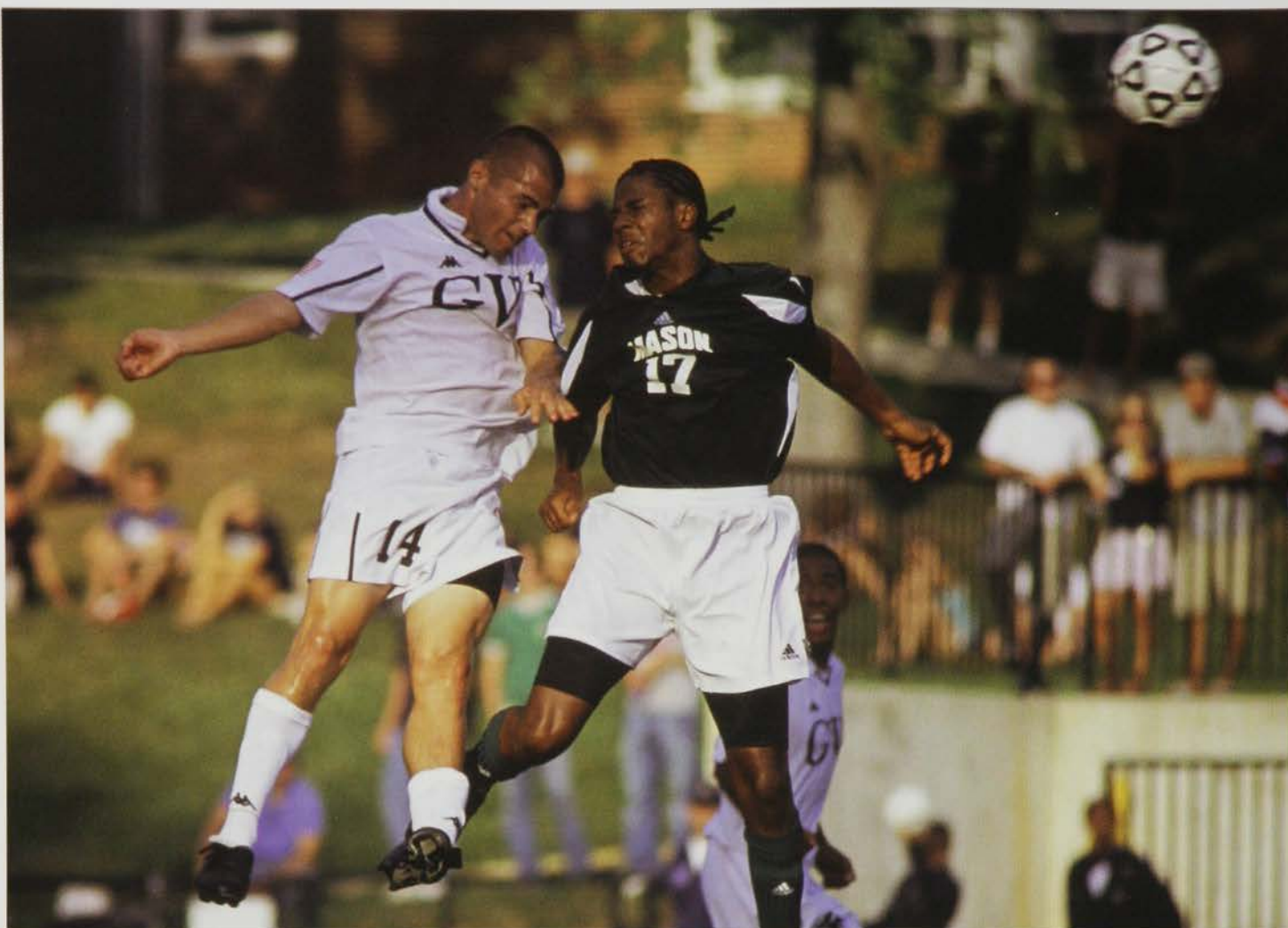




## *Women's Soccer*



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The GW Men's soccer team began the season in rather poor form, but pulled together in the play-offs. The team was struggling with a record of 1-8-3 overall and zero conference victories when they matched up against Duquesne on October 17th. The team kept their heads up and defeated Duquesne three to one, as the season fell into place as the men finally snapped their ten game losing streak. With renewed confidence on the field, the team elevated their play in the hunt for a spot in the Atlantic 10 tournament. On November 6th, the Colonials simultaneously secured their sixth win and spot in the play-offs, but they did not stop there.

The team continued their success with a thrilling victory over the number-one ranked Duquesne with a thrilling penalty kick in overtime. In the championship game, the team handily defeated Temple two to zero and took home the conference title and an automatic NCAA tournament bid. The play-off run continued as the Colonials took out UNC in the first round of the tournament before losing to Virginia Commonwealth and ending the season after a ten-win streak.

Several team members received athletic honors, with three players selected to the A-10 All-Tournament team, goal keeper Derek Biss named most valuable player of the tournament, and Ben Mortimer made the All-Region team. The season turned out to be a great success, led by senior co-captains Matt Miller and Trent Wilee.

-Devin Williams

## Men's Soccer



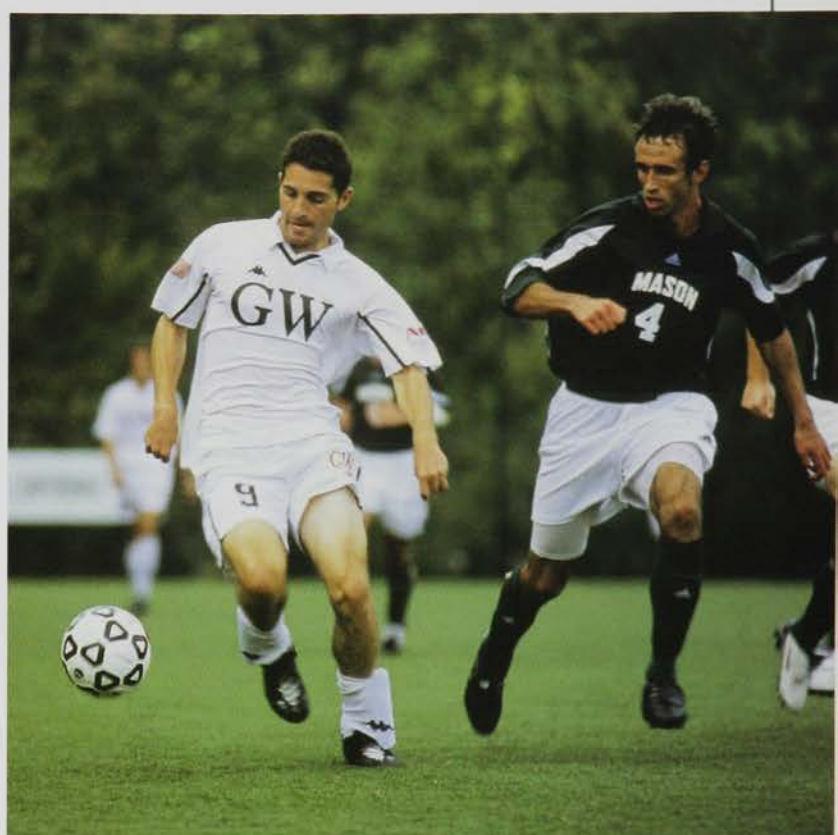


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(Alphabetically) Jon Allen, Frank Ambrosio, Tayssir Azouz, Derek Biss, Steve Brown, Jeremiah Burke, Andre Chapman, Dillon Colucci, Matt Davis, Wade Gerhardt, John Jaszczyszyn, Trevor Martin, David McConaghay, Greg McKay, Matt Miller, Benjamin Mortimer, Arturo Pedroso, Matt Scheer, Joseph Siegel, Thomas Stuber, Steve Vogt, Joachim Walker, Trent Wilce, Greg Yahr.  
Coach: George Lidster



First year head coach Brian Beil inherited a young team comprised mainly of freshmen and sophomores in the fall. With only one senior, the rookie squad worked diligently to prepare mentally and physically for the upcoming season. The first meet proved to be an accurate gauge on how the team would perform for the rest of the season. Strong performances were turned in by freshmen twins Christian and John Woodside and second year runner John Scranton, resulting in a second place finish for the team.

For the rest of the season, Christian Woodside and sophomore Daniel Morgan steadily paved the way with consistent first and second place team finishes, while the third through seventh place runners shuffled up and down the line. Although the team finished tenth out of eleven in the Atlantic-10 Championship, they have a strong outlook for next season. Veteran leadership from Alex Kim and Phil Sherman will anchor a team comprised mostly of experienced sophomores and juniors, but with the key additions of talented freshmen recruits.

*-Devin Williams*



(Alphabetically) Joe Altenau, Mark Drath, Ian Hajek, Alex Kim, Daniel Morgan, Art Rowbatham, Jeff Scranton, Phil Sherman, Kyle Sullivan, Jay Vigorita, Christian Woodside, John Woodside. Coach: Brian Beil

# Men's Cross Country

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# Women's Cross Country

With two seniors, Trina Bolton and Emily Jadwin, leading the way, the women's cross country team jumped to a fast start this year, winning their first five meets. Although the team appeared strong initially, they were slowly torn apart by widespread injuries that began to hinder them at a pivotal point in the season. When the team traveled to Penn State in October, the full weight of the injuries became evident when they finished 31<sup>st</sup> out of 41 teams.

Two weeks later at the A-10 Championships in Pittsburgh, injuries and an unexpected fall by sophomore Bridget Skeuse in last stretch of the race caused the women to finish eighth in the Atlantic 10 conference standings. Although the season finish was much lower than originally anticipated, some of the team leaders stepped up significantly to offset the noticeable absence of injured teammates.

The mix of strong leadership from the experienced senior trio of Emily Jadwin, Trina Bolton, and Mary Beth McCullough led the team to its early season success and kept the injury-plagued team together through the final stretch of the season. The team lost three key competitors in the graduating seniors, but instilled valuable experience in the much improved freshman standouts Michelle Concannon and Mae Polhemus. The two certainly demonstrated a potential to be the future leaders of the team.

*-Devin Williams*



(Alphabetically) Lindsay Blum, Trina Bolton, Michelle Concannon, Meredith Deschenes, Meghan Hughes, Emily Jadwin, Erynne Jones, Alex Krupnik, Taylor Leavitt, Colleen McCauley, Mary Beth McCullough, Emily Miletello, Gabrielle Polhemus, Bridget Realmuto, Olivia Schramm, Kristie Schumacher, Bridget Skeuse, Katie Walsh. Coach: Brian Beil



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October 27, 2004 will forever be remembered as the day in which the unthinkable occurred. The event: The 2004 World Series game four; the players: St. Louis Cardinals and the Boston Red Sox; and the series count: Red Sox 3, Cardinals 0. It was in the brisk October air, that the 1918 infamous “curse of the Bambino” magically disappeared and millions of faithful fans finally stopped holding their breath; it was the night the Boston Red Sox clinched a World Series Championship title. The “Red Sox Nation” stared awe-stricken at their television screens as Keith Foulke made the final toss to Doug Mientkiewicz to capture the game that crowned them as World Series Champions. For a moment, as the ball hit Foulke’s glove the “Nation” was silent. For a split second, there was peace— then,



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# Red Sox Nation



the "Nation" erupted. At first it was faint, a small scream or cheer, but the reality of the miracle that had occurred settled. Like a wave, the excitement rippled and fans started running, jumping, and hugging. In minutes flat, the effect arrived at GW, as Sox fans joined together on H Street, screaming and shouting celebratory chants. "RED SOX!" or the all-too-familiar "YANKEES SUCK!" echoed through campus. Students were seen waving brooms in the air, symbolic of the "sweeping" of the series by the Sox. The Red Sox had come back to win the American League Championship from almost being swept themselves, when they were down three games to zero against the New York Yankees. The rambunctious activity in the heart of campus rivaled any that was taking place in Boston that night. News stands were turned over and Yankee hats and brooms were set afire. The raucous crowd had to be controlled by both University and Metropolitan police who drove motorcycles through the mob to break it up. Just as the Red Sox were relentless against the Yankees and the Cardinals, many students remained to celebrate well into the cool October night. For many students, a childhood dream had finally come true.

*-Meghan Gibas*





# All Hallow's Eve



Halloween held a special place in the heart of the Generation Y college student. With the presence of endless candy, the opportunity to play dress-up, and the perfect excuse to play a prank, the holiday appealed to the twenty-something kid-at-heart. The college student version of Halloween employed a few traditions not-so-childish traditions, from the slightly scandalous costumes to bar crawls on M Street, GW students gave their own unique twist to the holiday. A campus production of the cult classic, *The Rocky Horror Picture Show*, gave students a chance to get into character and entertain their peers. Many students checked out the international selection of candy by trick-or-treating on Embassy Row. Costumes got creative as college students on a budget maximized their available resources. From movie stars and cartoon characters to inanimate objects, many appreciated Halloween for the visual entertainment alone. Some students got into the Halloween spirit by carving pumpkins and exchanging costume ideas, but many simply looked forward to a night of zany costumes, endless mini Snickers, and, perhaps, a bit of debauchery.

-Caitlin B. Deherty





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*November*





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# Presidential Election 2004

**G**W served as the perfect backdrop for its politically charged student body during the 2004 Presidential Election. From the time they arrived in September, students began campaigning for their favorite candidate. The College Republicans and College Democrats hosted numerous BBQs in Kogan Plaza, guest speakers, and weekend trips to rally support. GW Votes, a flagship program at the university, worked tirelessly to register as many students as possible to participate in the election. In the typical GW fashion, many students took their political participation to a higher level; in the days and weeks leading up to the election many students traveled around the country, particularly to battleground states. Student volunteers knocked on doors, helped conduct excits polls, and worked hard to get their candidate in office.

On election night, the College Republicans and College Democrats hosted election-monitoring parties in the Marvin Center. Flat screen TVs tuned to CNN, MSNBC, and Fox News kept students up-to-date as the results began to trickle in. Live musical performances, games, and other activities kept students at both parties occupied until the final results were announced in the early morning hours: George W. Bush was re-elected as President.

*Katey Collora*





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*George W. Bush*

*Republican Incumbent  
286 Electoral Votes*

*John Kerry*

*Democratic Challenger  
252 Electoral Votes*



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Claiming the title as the largest student organization at GW, the College Democrats have the mandate and the will power to be a prominent political force on campus and in the nation's capitol. From the time the members of the GW College Democrats set foot on campus in August, their mission was clear: to help elect 2004 presidential candidate John Kerry. The group sponsored the "Beat Bush Bus Tour 2004", which gave students the opportunity to campaign in critical swing states like Virginia, Pennsylvania, Ohio, and Florida. Throughout the year, the group analyzed current issues in public policy forums and hosted a series of speakers, including David Brock, author of *Blinded by the Right*. The College Democrats also encouraged their membership to participate in internships in the Washington metropolitan area by publicizing opportunities on their weekly e-mail updates. The organization emphasized the importance of citizenship and activism and sponsored a letter-writing campaign to American soldiers stationed in Afghanistan and Iraq.

-Katie Considine





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Many GW students are known for taking a great deal of pride in their interest in political activism. Going to university in the nations capital provided a first-hand experience with the 2004 elections. Definitely not a group to miss out on the opportunities, the College Republicans fought for their beliefs and candidates during the heated 2004 election season. In September, GW's College Republicans played an instrumental role in the congressional campaign of Lisa Marie Cheney, by

sending volunteers to help out each weekend in Alexandria, Virginia. Like their democratic counterparts, the College Republicans also campaigned vigorously for their presidential candidate, incumbent George W. Bush, in states that still remained largely undecided even as the November 2 election loomed. served on the Republican National Task Force" in Michigan, where places and carefully monitored hard work paid off, as the group victory at the Marvin Center in 3, 2004. With "four more years" group proceeded to get back to their regular business, hosting congressional lectures and a political-controversy themed speaker series for its members during the spring semester.

College Republicans



The George Washington University

Twenty members even Committee's "72-Hour they drove voters to polling the electoral process. Their celebrated President Bush's the wee hours of November to look forward to, the

*Latie Considine*

# College Republicans



# Crossfire Ends

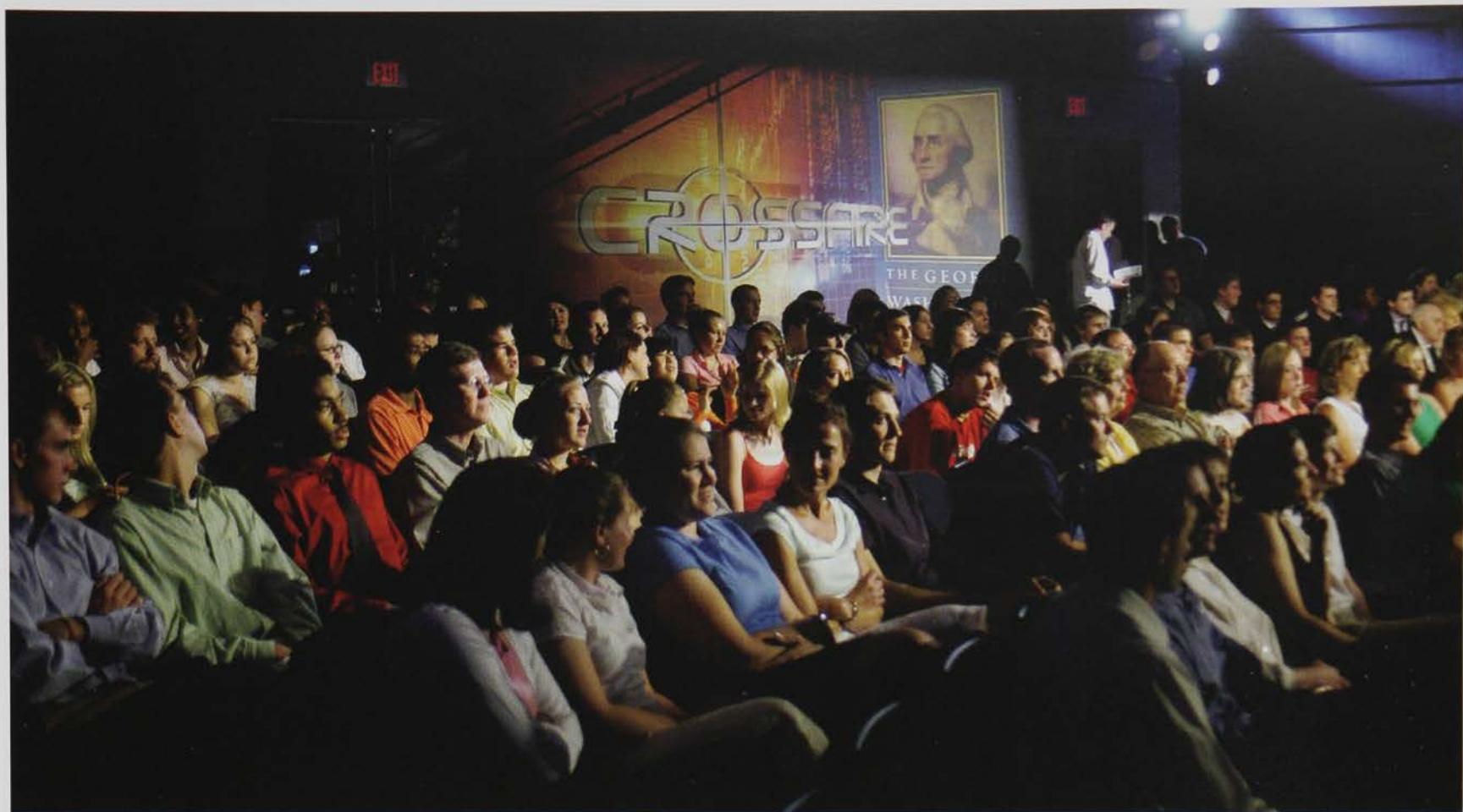


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The 2004-2005 school year may have been one of the most notable in the history of CNN's "Crossfire". In September 2004, a small scandal developed when Republicans raised concerns that the program's two liberal hosts were permitted to remain on the show despite their status as informal advisors to John Kerry's presidential campaign. The next month, Jon Stewart, comedian and host of Comedy Central's "The Daily Show," made a now legendary appearance on "Crossfire" during which he criticized the program for what he called "partisan hackery" and accused Tucker Carlson, Robert Novak, Paul Begala and James Carville of damaging the American political discourse. Launched in 1982 by Pat Buchanan and Tom Braden, "Crossfire" has had a series of high-profile hosts over the years, from liberals Michael Kinsley, Bill Press and Geraldine Ferraro to conservatives Mary Matalin and John Sununu. On June 3, 2005 in the School of Media and Public Affairs's Jack Morton Auditorium, the show that featured spirited debate and analysis on the political and social issues of each day ended its 23-year run. CNN plans to incorporate "Crossfire" debate segments featuring three of the former hosts into other shows. Fortunately, the Cable News Network will still broadcast from GW; "On the Story" with Christiane Amanpour began filming at the Jack Morton Auditorium on July 8, 2005 and will be featured on CNN each weekend.

*Katie Conditine*







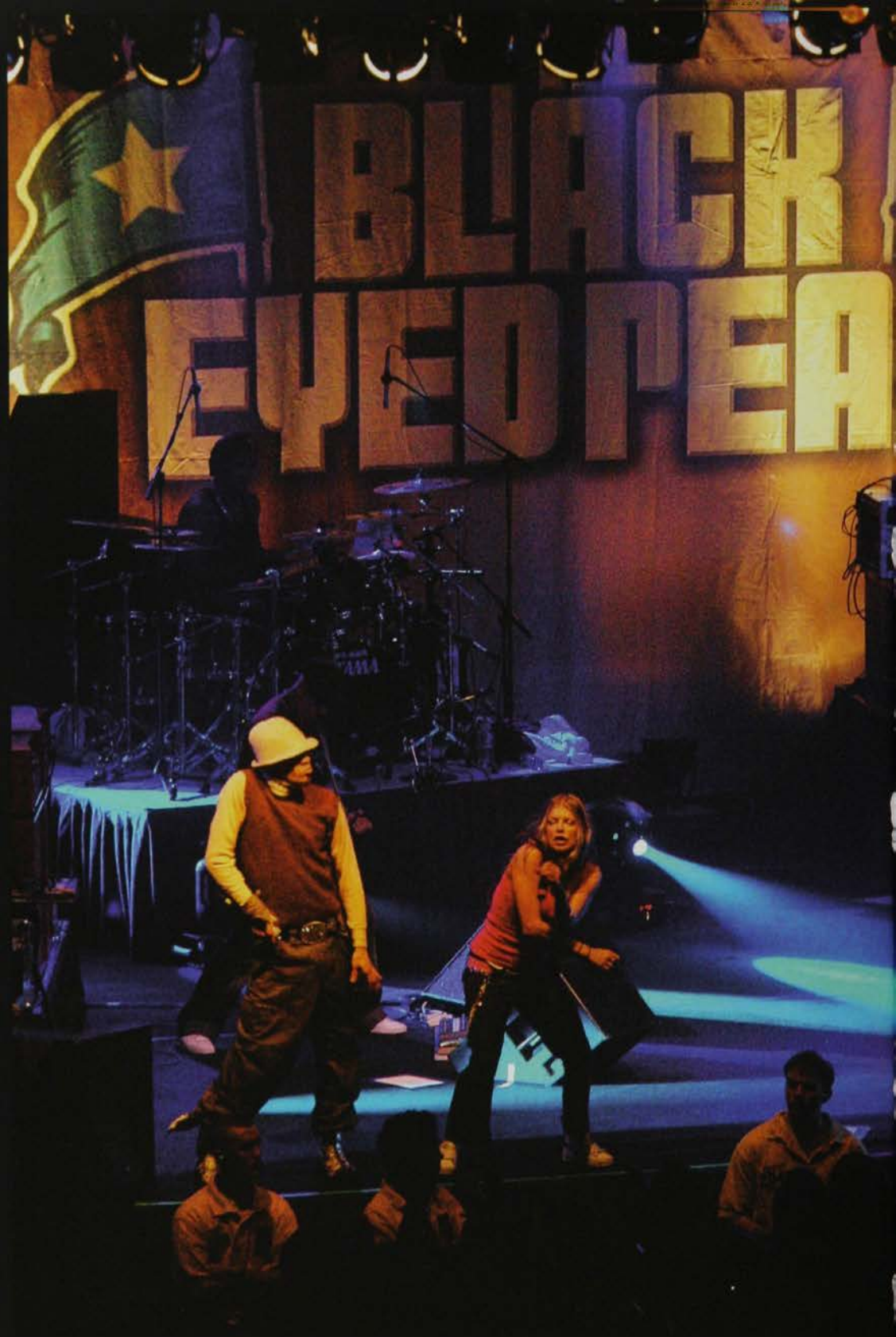


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## Black-Eyed Peas at GW

The Black Eyed Peas showcase an eclectic sound: a mixture of jazz, funk, and hip-hop. Their unique sound has been heralded as new sound for the modern age, while their lyrics address a diverse range of topics from political issues and relationship issues. The group's ebullient stage presence radiated on November 14, 2004 when the music group performed at GW to a crowd of approximately 2,500 students. Group members William, Fergie, apl.de.ap, and Taboo performed songs from their breakthrough album *Elephunk*, such as "Where's the Love" and "Let's Get it Started." The group also showed off their dancing abilities and free-style skills, incorporating politically charged messages by commenting on the presidential election and urging the need for unity. During the free-style segment of their show multiple members incorporated well-known GW hot spots and figures into their verse. The group announced their fourth album drop for June 2005, which was highly anticipated by the student body.

*Berin Dekerto*





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# Greek Week

Greek Week brings together individual social fraternities and sororities to celebrate the spirited GW Greek community as a whole. A week long series of events such as talent competitions and hilarious skits, each chapter competes to be named the winner of Greek Week. Participation and success in the week's activities, including a skit night and a date auction, lead to the designation of the victors. Perhaps the most memorable event of the week are the Greek Games, which are held on University Yard. Sororities and fraternities compete in relay races and even jousting competitions similar to American Gladiator. At the culmination of the day, representatives from each chapter serve as the contestants for Greek God and Goddess and model their "togas and talents" in pursuit of the crown. Later that night a party is held to celebrate the week and the winner of Greek Week is announced. This year's winners were Sigma Kappa and Pi Kappa Alpha.

*Katie Conidine*









# Alpha Epsilon Pi



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The brothers of Alpha Epsilon Pi mixed philanthropy with fun this year. The fraternity sponsored two concerts featuring Israeli artists and raised nearly \$6,500 for the Ethiopian Community Center in Be'er Sheva, Israel, which helps Jewish Ethiopian immigrants adjust to life in a new nation. In November the brother's hosted an Iron Chef Competition, which raised an additional \$400 for the community center.

Five sororities had an hour and a half to make an appetizer, entrée, and dessert, using peanut butter and other general ingredients in each dish. Sigma Kappa emerged victorious after the fraternity judged participants based on originality, taste and presentation. Although the members of Alpha Epsilon Pi are involved in a wide range of campus activities, including the Student Association and The GW Hatchet, the brothers still found time to bond this year at a whitewater rafting trip and a Washington Nationals game. With a new residence on 22nd Street, the fraternity was able to take on a more active role in the Greek community by hosting rush and other social events at their townhouse.

-Katie Considine



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*"Commitment for a Lifetime"*



## "Bononia Docet"

While some Greek organizations planned contests and games to raise money for charity, the brothers of Kappa Sigma took a different approach to philanthropy. As participants in Dulles Airport's annual "Plane Pull," the fraternity donated \$1,000 to compete with more than 60 other teams trying to pull a 150,000-pound aircraft. While moving the plane a record-breaking twelve feet proved challenging, the brothers took pride in raising money for the Special Olympics. Later in the year, Kappa Sigma teamed with the ladies of Sigma Kappa sorority to organize a "Senior" Prom at St. Mary's Court in Foggy Bottom. The fraternity members escorted and mingled with retirees at the dance who greatly enjoyed chatting with their youthful company. For their formal event, the brothers rented villas and condos during an overnight affair in the mountains of West Virginia. Active in campus life and on the GW social scene, the fraternity greatly enjoyed a country-western mixer with Delta Gamma and a luau-themed party at their F Street townhouse in April.

-Katie Considine



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# Kappa Sigma



# Alpha Delta Pi

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While the sisters of Alpha Delta Pi were firmly committed to Greek life, the sorority was just one element of their contributions and involvements on campus. The members participated in a wide range of activities including Class Council, the Student Association, and performing arts groups. Alpha Delta Pi sisters also involved their friends and classmates in their annual Jail 'N Bail philanthropy event. During the event participants paid money to "jail" their friends who then had to beg for "bail" money to be set free. All the proceeds benefited The Ronald McDonald House, which provides lodging and support for the families of children who must travel to receive their required treatment at specialized hospitals. Though dedicated to service, the women of Alpha Delta Pi also made plenty of time for fun, hosting crush parties at Singapore Bistro and Froggy Bottom Pub. The members thoroughly enjoyed setting each other up with blind dates for a My Tie party in December. The sorority closed out the year with a formal overlooking the U.S. Capitol in the garden of the Sewall-Belmont House. At the dance, the sisters awarded one another with superlatives to recognize and commemorate the unique contributions that each of the young women made to the chapter.

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- Katie Considine

*"We live for each other"*



*"Do Unto Others As You Would  
Have Them Do Unto You"*



PHOTO BY J. MALIS

*B*rotherhood, scholarship, and character serve as the pillars of the Phi Sigma Kappa fraternity.

The close-knit group of men honored its commitment to these tenets by making an impact far beyond the walls of their chapter house at 601 21st Street. In April, the brothers hosted a barbecue in Kogan Plaza to benefit their philanthropy, My Soldier's Angel Foundation. The fraternity raised \$300 to fund care packages for members of the armed services stationed in Iraq. The charity held a special significance to many of the brothers who had family and friends serving their country overseas. As one of the oldest fraternity's on campus, Phi Sigma Kappa was deeply committed to its alumni. The fraternity often hosted events that invited former members to campus, including on John Bonham Day in late September. Another fond memory for the Phi Sigma Kappa brothers was the semi-annual "Graffiti Party," where any student can get creative and leave a highlighter message on a friend's t-shirt.

*-Katie Considine*

*Phi Sigma Kappa*



## "Do Good!"

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Delta Gamma was founded on Christmas Eve in 1873, at Lewis School in Oxford, Mississippi. It began its spread through the south and then on to the north. It became one of the first seven charter members of the National Panhellenic Conference, when the first inter-sorority meeting was held in Boston in 1891. Delta Gamma colonized at the George Washington University on October 6, 1945 with the help of members from the Beta Epsilon Chapter at American University. Delta Gamma is currently extremely active on campus and throughout the city. Their national philanthropy, Service For Sight, is benefited by their annual event, AnchorBowl. Anchorbowl is a week long event in which fraternities compete against each other with activities such as skit night. It is one of the most looked forward to events in the year, and the fraternities begin preparation months in advance.

*-Autumn Moran*



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# Delta Gamma



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# Lambda Chi Alpha



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In a span of 13 years, Lambda Chi Alpha has grown to be the fourth largest chapter on campus. The chapter has continued to grow and move steadily toward the future with stronger membership and continuing involvement in the GW and DC communities. The Lambda Chi Watermelon Fest, now a GW Greek community tradition, began in the fall of 1997. Since then, the Watermelon Fest has grown to be a week-long event. This past year the fraternity hosted various events each night, such as skit night and relay races, where other Greek chapters competed for points. After a week of racking up points, the competition culminated in a full day of relays, with the theme revolving around watermelons. After a day in the sun spent trying to hold on to a greased watermelon, the winner for the day and the overall winner were announced.

*-Autumn Moran*



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*"Every Man a Man"*





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### *Junior Class Council:*

Brittany Baron, Blair Lyons, Jamie Mittin, Judd Ullom, Lauren Adams, Matt Lowery, Melissa Frank, and Steve Roche



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### *Sophomore Class Council:*

Priya Ramanathan, Katie Kemen, Leah Ratner, Sara Gimmy, and Sheen Patel



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### *Freshman Class Council:*

Brock Snyder, Chuck Born, Danny November, Kat Hatam, Tyler Brown, and Vishal Hotchandani





# Class Council



L
 ed by executive board Ian Kandel, Ori Korin, Sean Holiday, and Ellen Wexler, Class Council strove to bridge communication between the four undergraduate classes by sponsoring programming that appealed to 18 and 22 year-olds alike. Class Council's activities helped increase GW spirit and foster a positive relationship with the surrounding Foggy Bottom community. The organization's major event was Charity Ball, a formal dance where 100 percent of the event's proceeds are donated to various charitable causes. Other popular events included the Battle of the A Cappella Groups, Midnight Breakfast, Study Abroad Send Off, and the "How Do I Become A..." Series. Class Council was constantly working to improve the quality of life at GW and create a sense of community for undergraduates.

*-Katie Considine*



## *Class Council Eboard:*

(Top Photo) Ian Kandel, Ori Korin, Sean Holiday, and Ellen Wexler.

## *Senior Class Council:*

Brooke German, Jessica Glynn, Bailey Cullim, Bryan Michels, Dorie Ain, Meggi Baker, and Sharai Landesberg

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# Serving the Community



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The Office of Community Service seeks to meet the demand for community service on campus, in the District of Columbia and even abroad. OCS provides students the opportunity to assist in a wide range of areas. The Neighbors Project covers nine different issue areas. Students work with the elderly, the environment, health issues, or the homeless--just to name a few. Jumpstart, a program for pre-school students, connects college students with pre-school students to help these 3-5 year-olds develop the skills they will need during their first years in elementary school. DC Reads partners GW undergrads with DC Public School students in an effort to expand their reading and academic skills. Alternative Spring Break is also offered for students who wish to immerse themselves in a week of community service through projects like environmental preservation and home construction. This year's ASB helped out in Alabama, Florida, and Mexico. The office also offers special community service projects throughout the year, including the Martin Luther King, Jr. Day of Service and the Adopt-a-Family program.

*Katie Considine*



# Giving Thanks



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Thanksgiving Day in America is a time to offer thanks, indulge in a holiday meal and showcase one's touch football skills. It is a time of turkeys, Triptophan and pumpkin pie. Regardless of race, color or creed on Thanksgiving Day, Americans take the time to express their gratitude for freedom, family and friends. Many GW students pause and head home after three long months of the weekly grind. For the first time since August, they reunite with family, friends from home, and free laundry. For freshmen, this is a particularly exciting time as the ways in which the newfound independence of college has affected them. This year, about 25 students remained on campus and attended a buffet hosted by Marvin Center Conferences at the University Club on Thanksgiving Day. Another 40 or so attended another Thanksgiving dinner on the Friday after the holiday at the Mount Vernon Campus. Some of the approximately 2,000 international students at GW used the break to learn about the American tradition of Thanksgiving instead of traveling home; however, it is a safe assumption that all GW students used the time to relax. Whether they returned to their dorm after a Black Friday shopping trip at Pentagon City or collapsed in their bed after a cross-country flight, the break ceased with the foreboding sense of the final projects and exams that awaited students in the weeks to come.

*-Katie Considine*



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*"The cold was our pride; the snow was our beauty.  
It fell and fell, lacing day and night together in a milky haze,  
making everything quieter as it fell, so that winter seemed to partake  
of religion in a way no other season did, hushed, solemn."*

*-Patricia Hampl*



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winter





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*December*



# Snow In the City



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Despite having no days off for inclement winter conditions, DC and the Foggy Bottom campus saw their fair share of snow in the winter. The white frozen crystals blanketed the area, sometimes without much warning. To many students' disappointment much of the snow that fell was on the weekends. Though the snow did not allow students to procrastinate on tests and papers, many still had fun with the fresh powder by holding snowball fights on the quad, building snowmen, and renting sleds from Mount Vernon. Though students admired the beauty of a wintry-white GW campus, hostility towards the weatherman continued to grow as many students' prayers to Mother Nature went unanswered. Although the snow prayers, dances, and superstitions did not obtain a much desired free day, it did provide a winter playground in the middle of DC.

*-Meghan Gibas*





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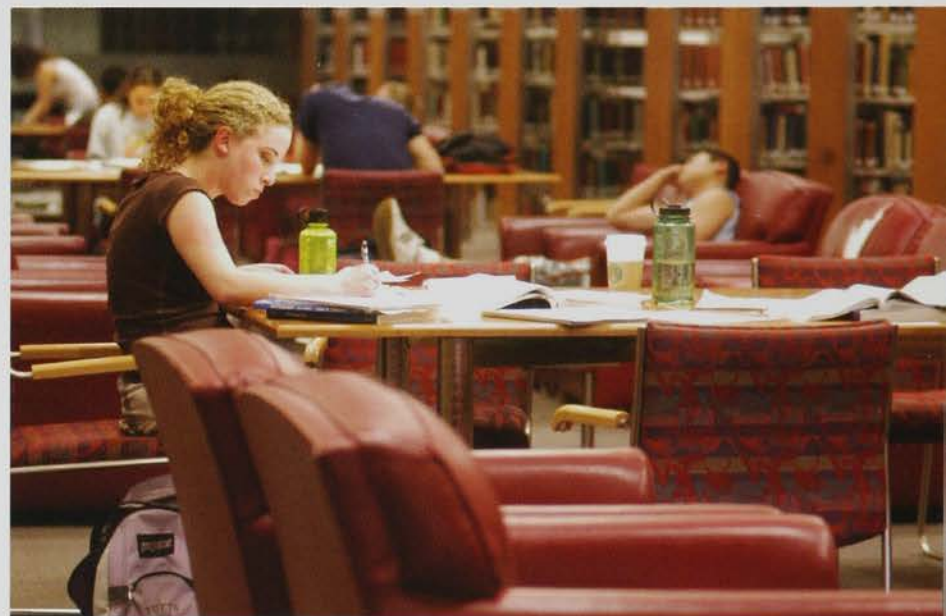
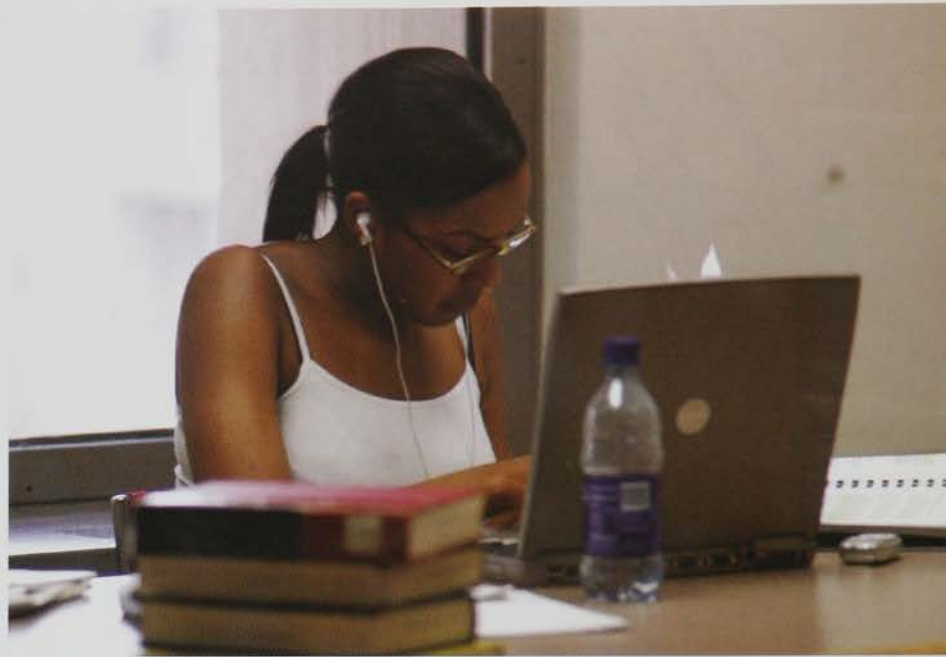
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# Club Gelman

Open 168 hours per week with 24-hour study lounges, Gelman Library reflected the industrious nature of the GW student body. Though the majority of students were hard at work, during the final "crunch time" the library often became a crowded venue where friends ran into one another. Students affectionately nicknamed the library "Club Gelman" as it became the hot spot around each exam period. While there were the Gelman regulars who called the library their second home, there were also those who pulled one or two all-nighters before a big exam or paper. Regardless of a student's studying methods, "Club Gelman" offered a retreat from the city where students could engage in research, reading, or review.

*Meghan Gibas*  
*Senior Editor*





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# The Coffee Fix

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Whether it was a grande Chai, a mocha frappuccino, a caramel macchiato, or a good old cup o' joe, coffee became a major factor in the GW student's lifestyle. Students could appease their sleep-deprived bodies with some tasty caffeinated beverages, as obtaining a caffeine fix became even easier on the Foggy Bottom campus with the grand opening of another Starbucks next to Gelman Library. With the total count of four Starbucks and one Dunkin' Donuts on "Colonial Cash," students took full advantage of the convenience. Caffeine was not always the motivation, as the ambience of cafés became a great venue for students to catch up with friends, review notes or munch a scone. Of course, with an increase in the number of eight o'clock classes, rigorous course loads, and late-night study hours, many students appreciated the simulant affect of caffeine. The daily coffee fix helped fuel the standard college student's "work hard, play hard" mentality.

-Meghan Gibas



# RBUCKS COFFEE



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## "Nothing Shall Tear Us Asunder"

In its fourth year on campus, Pi Kappa Phi took great pride in their involvement in philanthropic activities. The fraternity hosted a weeklong event called "PUSH Week," which included events such as a poker tournament and a dunk tank featuring campus leaders and athletes. The group donated the money raised during the week to their national philanthropy, PUSH America, which promotes a greater understanding of people with disabilities. Many brothers also participated in the nationwide "Journey of Hope," a cross-country bicycle trek benefiting PUSH that began in San Francisco and ended up back in Washington, DC. With members active in many campus activities, including Colonial Cabinet and varsity athletics, Pi Kappa Phi took a leading role in Greek life. Social highlights within the chapter included a Founder's Ball semi-formal in November, the formal Rose Ball in April, and a back-to-school mixer with Alpha Delta Pi.

-Katie Considine

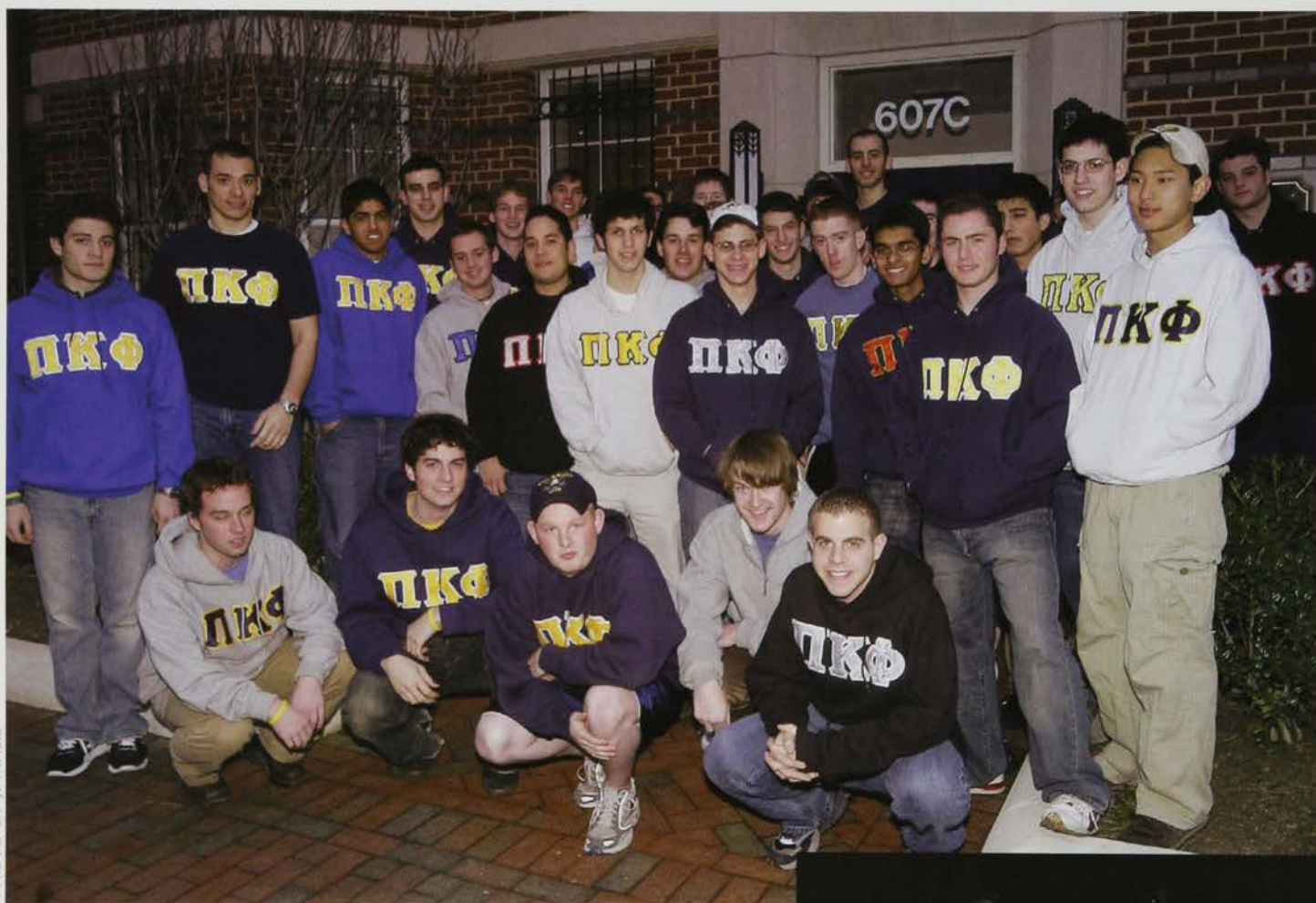


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# Pi Kappa Phi



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# Alpha Epsilon Phi



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Many non-Greeks are unaware of the many values and creeds that give tradition and unity to individual Greek chapters. Throughout the year, Alpha Epsilon Phi sisters embraced their chapter values, such as service, scholarship, and fellowship. The sorority raised awareness and fundraised for their national philanthropies, the Elizabeth Glaser Pediatric AIDS Foundation and the Chaim Sheba Medical Center in Tel-Hashomer, Israel. The Elizabeth Glaser Pediatric AIDS Foundation focuses on educating people on the issues concerning children with the AIDS virus and raises money for AIDS research. The foundation was founded by an AEPHI from the University of Wisconsin. The Chaim Sheba Medical Center provides medical care to all those in need, without regard of race, class, or religion. The ladies fostered sisterhood and fellowship by hosting a variety of date parties, mixers, and formal events, without it cutting into study time; the women maintained one of the highest GPAs in the Panhellenic community. The women capped off the year by taking home the title in the Pike's Fireman's Challenge and a formal dance dedicated to their graduating seniors.

- Caitlin B. Doherty

"Many Hearts, One Purpose"



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## "Aim High"

Despite their committed leadership in campus activities such as College Democrats and College Republicans, philanthropy was a top priority for GW's chapter of Phi Sigma Sigma. The sisters held events during the fall and spring semesters that raised funds for the National Kidney Foundation. The sorority borrowed themes from the popular television show, "The Amazing Race," and spread clues throughout campus for participants to find. Another major fundraiser took a more relaxed theme: "Breakfast in Bed." The sisters created morning menus that offered selections like bagels, muffins,

fruit and yogurt for students living on-campus to purchase in advance. On the morning of the event, the sisters assembled the breakfasts and hand delivered them to residence halls and apartment buildings all over Foggy Bottom. The sisters celebrated their hard work around the neighborhood and the city with social events at The Exchange and Froggy Bottom Pub. In November, the sorority got dolled up for their semi-formal, which was held at the Melrose Hotel on Pennsylvania Avenue.

*-Katie Considine*



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# Phi Sigma Sigma





# Sigma Phi Epsilon



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The brothers of Sigma Phi Epsilon at GW came together to aspire to the fraternity's ideals of virtue, diligence and brotherly love. The chapter's major philanthropy event was "Sig Ep Santa," where the members sold and hand-delivered home-baked cookies directly to the dorm rooms of those who donated money to benefit YouthAIDS. The organization generates funding to develop worldwide education and awareness programs to prevent the spread of HIV among the most at-risk youths. Sigma Phi Epsilon brothers also made time for other important campus organizations including Colonial Army, Colonial Cabinet, WRGW Radio, and EmERG. The fraternity organized many enjoyable activities like a crush party at Paper Moon restaurant, a White House tour, and a massage class. At their spring formal at the Sheraton National Hotel ballroom, the brothers and their datets danced and celebrated with an exquisite view of Washington, D.C. The event also honored the Sigma Phi Epsilon seniors with awards that recognized their accomplishments over their past four years.

-Katie Considine

*"Building balanced leaders for the world's communities"*



## "One hope for many people"

The sisters of Sigma Delta Tau raised money for their national philanthropy, Prevent Child Abuse America by hosting a Barney's New York sale for the general GW population. The ladies hosted the sale in April, which is "Child Abuse Prevention" Month. The chapter contributed to the national donation of \$50,000 to the cause. The women also wore the symbolic blue ribbon to raise awareness around campus. Prevent Child Abuse America sponsors child abuse awareness campaigns and advocates for preventative legislation in local, state, and national legislatures. Also in the spring, Sigma Delta Tau women partner with Jewish Women International to support the victims of domestic violence through the "Mother's Day Flower Project," which sends flower bouquets to over 150 domestic violence in the U.S. long with its founding pillar of service, the chapter also prides itself on fostering social development and sisterhood, while promoting respect for the individuality of its members.

- Caitlin B. Doherty



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# Sigma Delta Tau



# Sigma Nu



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As the hosts of GrEEK Bowl, the brothers of Sigma Nu bring a different kind of challenge to Greeks in the spring. The trivia night, where sororities and fraternities go head to head to win the most points with random knowledge of sports, pop culture, and politics. Benefiting both the participants and the American Diabetes Association, the brothers work hard to come up with new and challenging questions to keep the teams on their toes. The brothers of Sigma Nu also support other chapters philanthropies, such as Delta Gamma's Anchor Bowl. With brothers involved in GW's Habitat for Humanity, College Democrats and Republicans, and yearbook photography, Sigma Nu still manages to take an active role in Greek life as a whole. Brothers represent the chapter on the Judicial Board and hold major leadership positions on the Interfraternity Council. With the chapter's 90th anniversary coming up, making it one of the oldest fraternities on campus, their semi-formal, held at the Daily Grill, will include not only brothers and their dates, but also alumni and friends of the fraternity, making it a campus wide event.

-Katie Considine

*"To learn to live in honor"*





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## Indian Students Association

Rahul Bhandari, Shivani Bhatt, Deepak Dugar, Reena Patel, Venkatraman Tamilraj, Reka Viswam, Srilata Remala, Kamal Patel, and Divyesh Lalloobhai

## Sikh Students Association

Ricky Harika, Rajvinder Marwah, Rameeth Hundle, Sunjeet Singh, Mandeep Grewal, and Jaspreet Dhadli



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## Satyam

Omkar Kulkarni, Amit Bhakoo, Swathi Veeravalli, Preeti Mehrotra, Khapildeo Beeharilal, Anoma Hapangama, Palomi Sheth, Shelly Jain, Divyesh Lalloobhai, Nita Sharma, Sweta Sharma, Srilata Semala, and Swati Shorff



# Diwali

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Diwali is the annual Indian festival of lights that marks the renewal of life and the beginning of the winter sowing season. The 2004 celebration was organized cooperatively by Satyam and the Indian Students Association. Satyam, the Hindu awareness organization of GW, focused on the religious aspects of the holiday. The group sponsored a temple trip for students to pray and reflect, a community service project, and a guest lecture on the rich tradition behind the celebration. The ISA prepared a cultural festival in the Marvin Center featuring a delicious dinner of Indian food like chole and saag paneer. A cultural show followed the meal, where attendees were treated to special skit, song, and dance performances. Many of the students danced in the native contemporary Bhangra and Raas-Garba styles, infusing the auditorium with music's infectious medley and the rhythmic beat of the dancers' feet.

*Katie Considine*



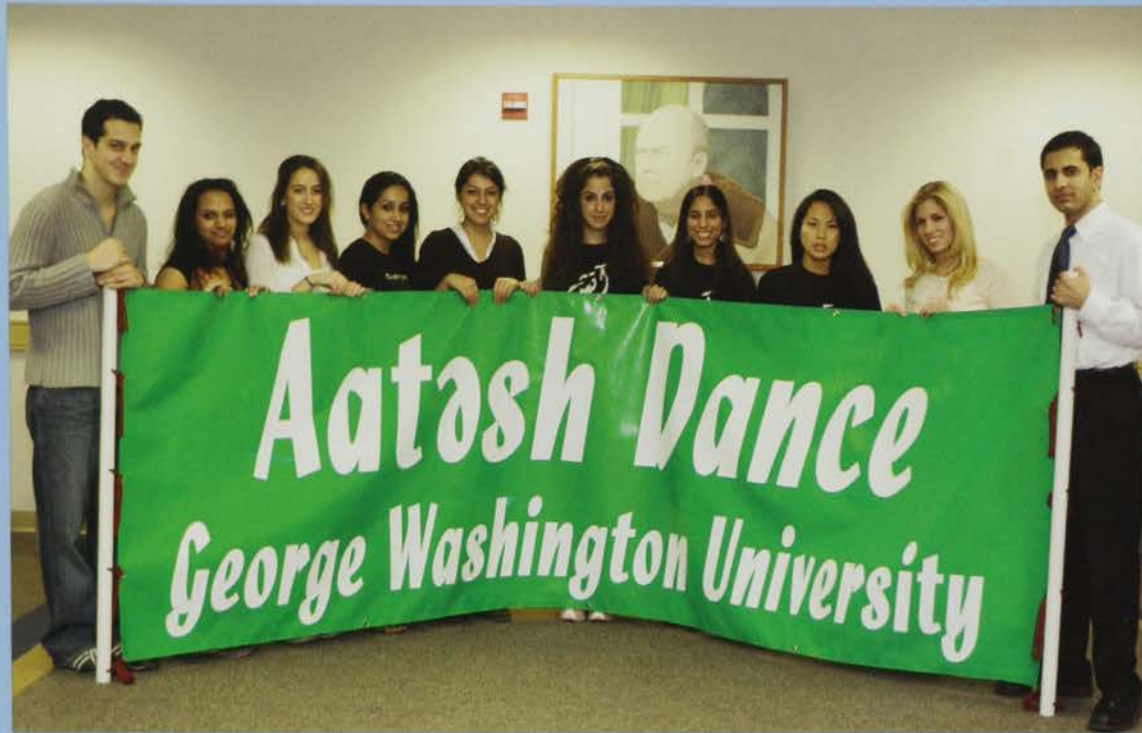


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# A Snowy Haven

Winter break, a time when students finally closed their books and headed home for the holidays. It marked the halfway point of the academic year and was highly anticipated by the end of the fall semester. Many students did last-minute holiday shopping, as studying took precedent until vacation began; for some, it did not commence until December 22nd, the last day of final exams. When the last test concluded, students wearily trekked home—eager to enjoy a month of family, food, and relaxation. Over the three week period, students enjoyed a combination of the typical vacation activities. Winter break marked a time of an incessant amount of TV holiday specials, but also a time to catch up with family and friends. The extended vacation allowed a lucky few the opportunity to travel to warm, exotic places or to hit the slopes for snowboarding or skiing. While some students took vacations with family, a team of GW students took advantage of the ski trip to Quebec City offered through GW Trails. Regardless, most students simply appreciated a time to decompress and re-energize for the new semester.

*-Meghan Gibas*



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# Midnight Breakfast



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Frazzled from studying for finals, students flocked to the Marvin Center for a study break where they were treated to a late-night feast served to them by GW faculty and staff, including University President Stephen Joel Trachtenberg. The year's theme, "Viva Las Breakfast," hit the jackpot with hungry college students, who were appreciative of any event where the theme revolved around free food. GW faculty and administration served a wide selection of breakfast items, such as croissants, eggs, bacon, fruit salad, and hashbrowns. Students also enjoyed participating in activities sponsored by student organizations including karaoke, casino-style games, glitzy arts and crafts, and raffles. The breakfast gave a welcome study break to the students who crowded J Street that December evening who managed to forget, if only for a few hours, that finals lay looming ahead.

-Christina Essopos



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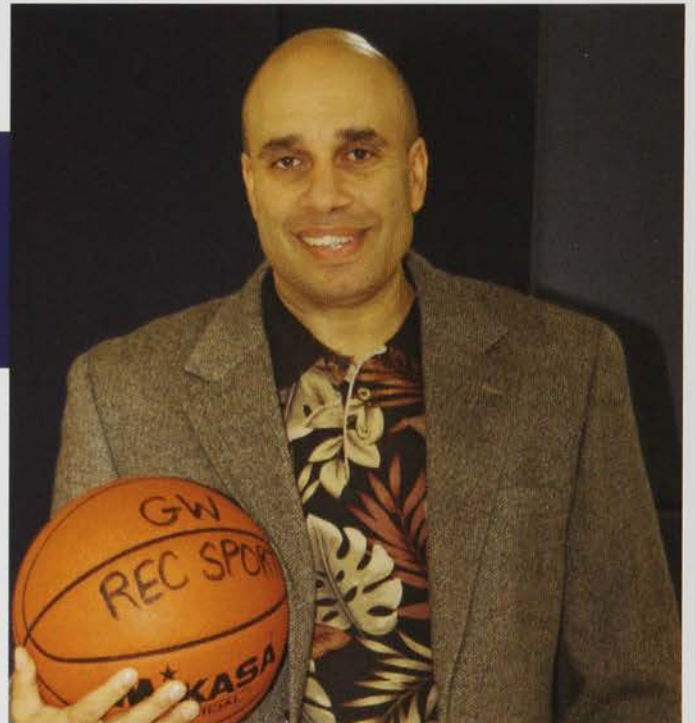


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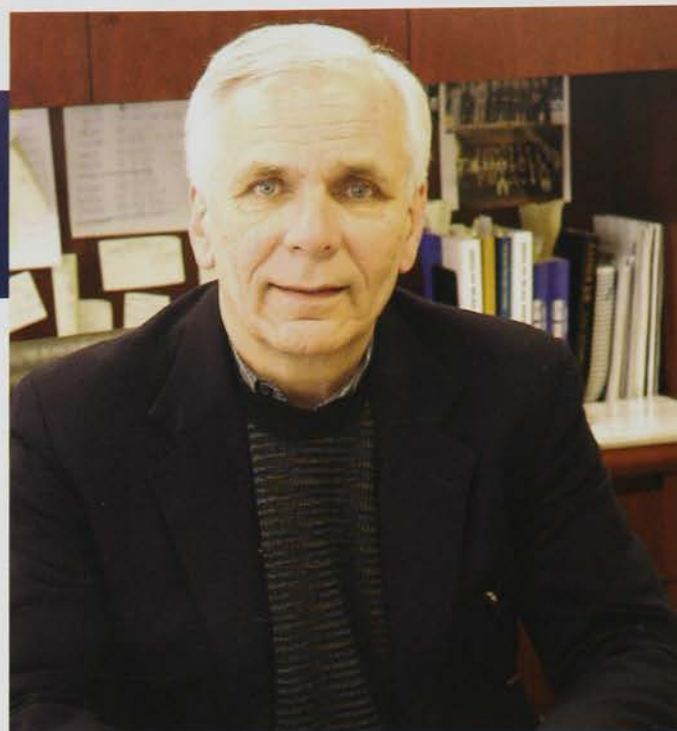
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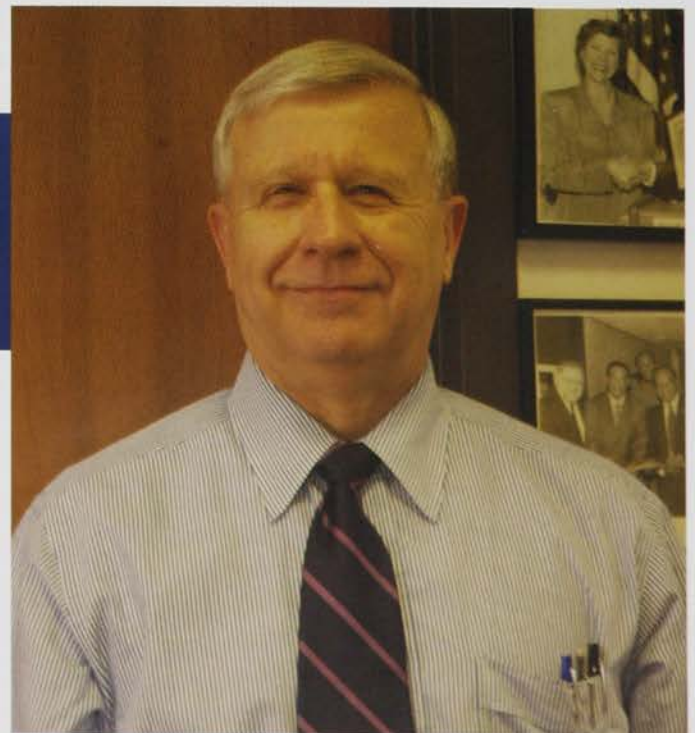


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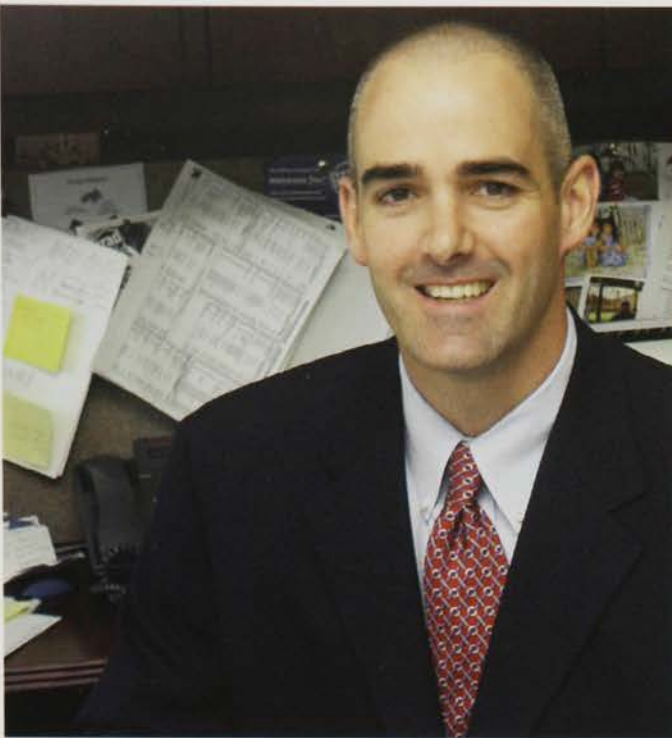
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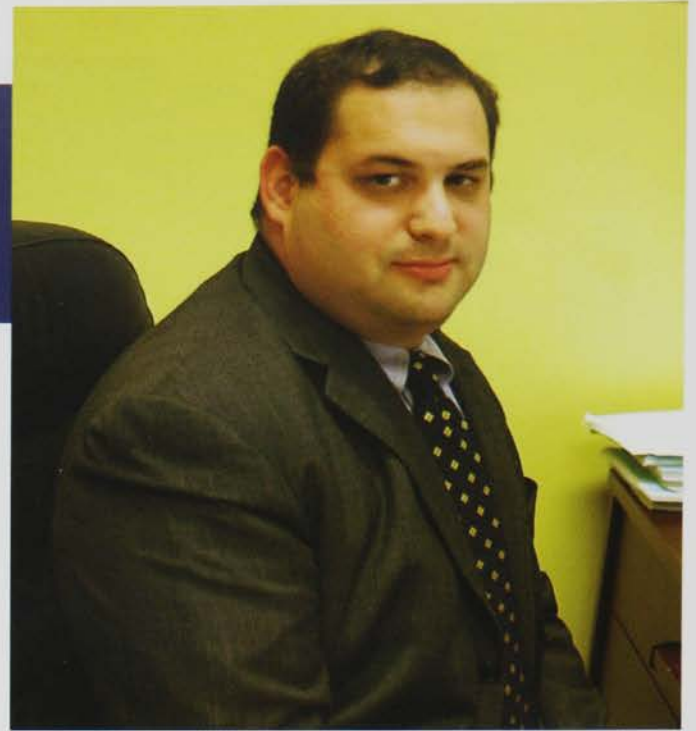
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*January*



# Study Abroad



France, Italy, Spain, Australia, Chile—the choices were endless and GW students took full advantage of the opportunities available by studying abroad. Hundreds of students left the familiarity of American life, flew across the world, and learned about a new culture, all while completing classes. Studying abroad has grown in popularity among the GW student body. Referred to by many as “an experience of a lifetime,” study abroad students thrived from the challenge of adjusting to the varied lifestyles of different cultures. Many students took advantage of the GW programs offered in popular places such as Madrid or Paris, while others chose options with greater immersion offered by GW-approved programs in cities such as Cairo and Buenos Aires. Study abroad programs varied in cultural challenges, as more adventurous students opted to go abroad among native speakers in full-immersion programs that accelerated language skills. Others found the different culture experience a classroom in and of itself and took classes in English while exploring a different country. While each program had unique attributes, the majority of students who went abroad agreed that it gave perspective to the American lifestyle and an incredible experience with memories, photos, friends, and conversations not soon forgotten.

*-Meghan Gibas*





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# Presidential Inauguration



It has been proposed that there are two defining events that occur during an undergraduate's four years at GW: Graduation and Inauguration. On January 20th, 2005, many GW students and faculty braved the cold for the once-in-a-lifetime chance to see an ailing Chief Justice Rehnquist administer the Oath of Office just before noon in front of the Capitol. George W. Bush set the tone for his new term with his inaugural speech that pledged to take strides to end tyranny in the world. The president declared, "It is the policy of the United States to seek and support the growth of democratic movements and institutions in every nation and culture, with the ultimate goal of ending tyranny in our world." A general reference to the goals of the hotly debated war in Iraq, the president's inauguration was not celebrated by all. Alongside the many supporters, hundreds of protesters also lined the parade route demonstrating the rights of the minority invoking their freedom of speech; the foundation of civil liberties that allow for a peaceable transition of power that has lasted for over two hundred years. After the speech, onlookers flocked to the Inaugural Parade where they spotted famous politicians, listened to military marching bands, and enjoyed all the pomp and circumstance.

*-Christina Essopos*





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# The Inaugural Ball

Students, parents, administration, faculty, and friends of the university arrived dressed-to-impress at the Omni Shoreham hotel to kick-off the party so big, it is only held once every four years: the GW Inaugural Ball. Four-thousand people flooded four different ballrooms that featured a myriad of entertainment including GW's "King James and the Serfs of Swing" band, a Motown funk group, GW Bhangra dancers, student bands and a cappella groups, including the Sunday Mail and GW Vibes, along with a plethora of other student performers. Students from across the political spectrum, from staunch republicans to yellow-dog democrats, capped-off the end of the 54th presidential election. Ticket-holders danced the night away among honored guests including ambassadors, congressmen, and senators. Though the newly re-elected President George W. Bush did not drop by along his rounds to the numerous different balls in DC, Brent Menenhall of the Tonight Show donned an alarmingly similar appearance! Guests swarmed to pose with the look-alike and get in on the act. Regardless of the election results, students found a way to celebrate that transcended party lines.

-Christina Essoposs





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# Spring Rush





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All of the GW Inter-Fraternity Council chapters participated in a second, more informal recruitment process held in the spring. As opposed to fall rush, spring rush is only a week long and traditionally has a smaller turnout. Many fraternity members preferred spring rush because it was less exhausting and easier to get to know the guys due to the smaller number of rushees. Many rushees preferred spring rush because it gave them a chance to become acclimated to GW and college life in general. Others simply tagged along for the free food and fun events, unsure if they would find a chapter right for them. Each of the 12 IFC chapters organized a weeklong series of events promoting their respective brotherhoods. For example, Tau Kappa Epsilon's events included a stress-relieving car bash, a steak and cigar nights, and a sports night at ESPN Zone. At the end of the week, 79 men accepted bids to fraternities.

Additionally, two sororities, Sigma Delta Tau and Phi Sigma Sigma, held spring recruitment. Sigma Delta Tau hosted a viewing party of the popular TV Show "The OC," while Phi Sigma Sigma invited potential new members to dinner at Thai Place on Pennsylvania Avenue. At the end of the week, Phi Sigma Sigma welcomed 12 new member and Sigma Delta Tau welcomed five.

*- Caitlin B. Deherty*



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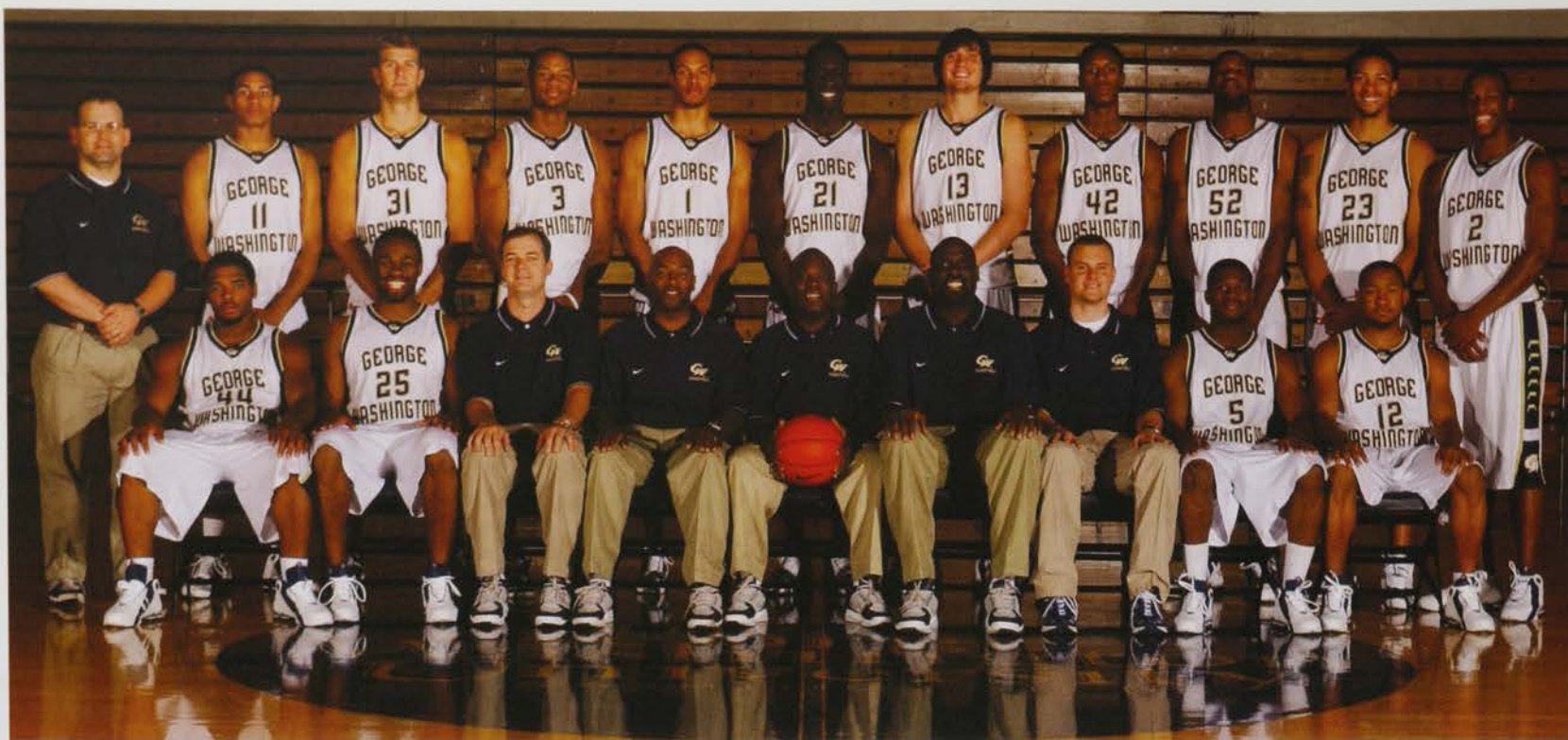


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(Alphabetically) Dokun Akingbade, Rock Battistoni, Carl Elliot, Jaaron Greene, Mike Hall, Pat Joyce, Alexander Kireev, Ricky Lucas, Pops Mensah-Bonsu, J.R. Pinnock, Maureece Rice, Omar Williams. Head Coach: Karl Hobbs.

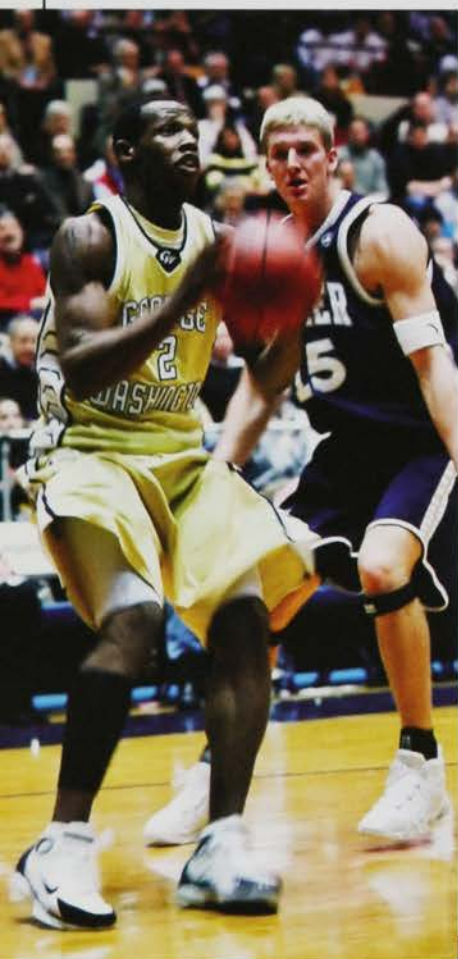


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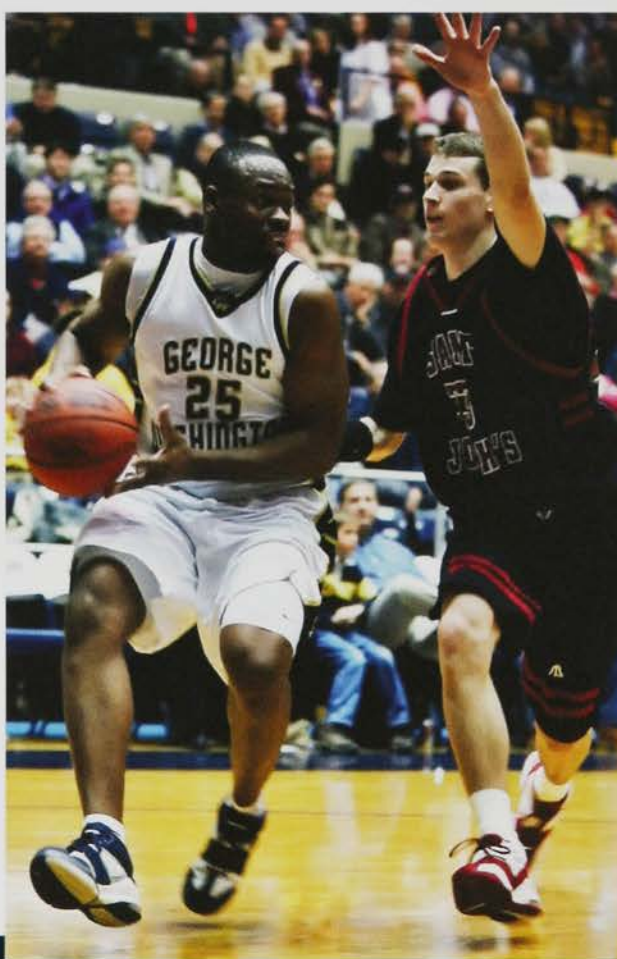


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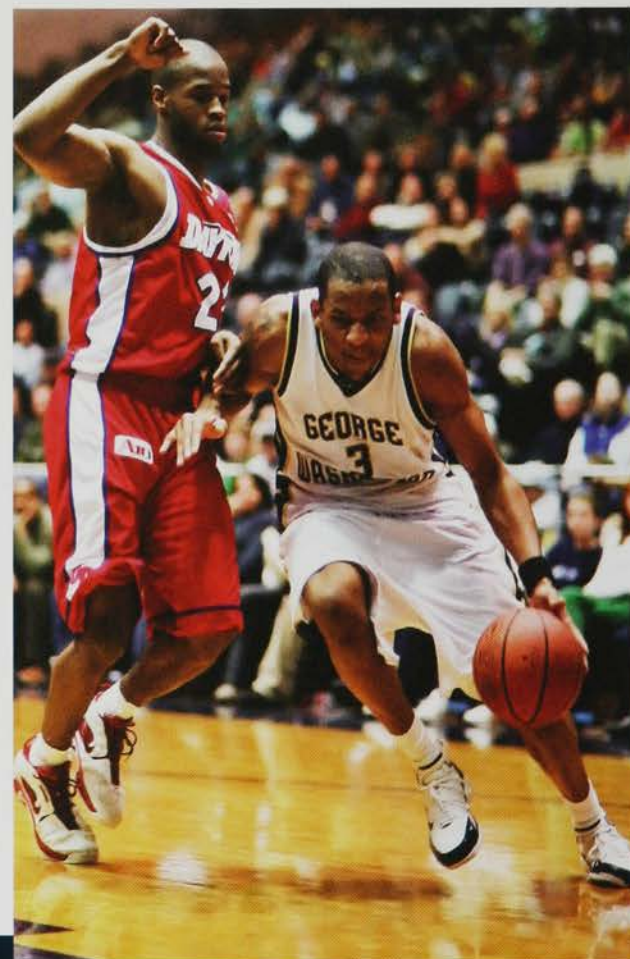


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# Men's Basketball



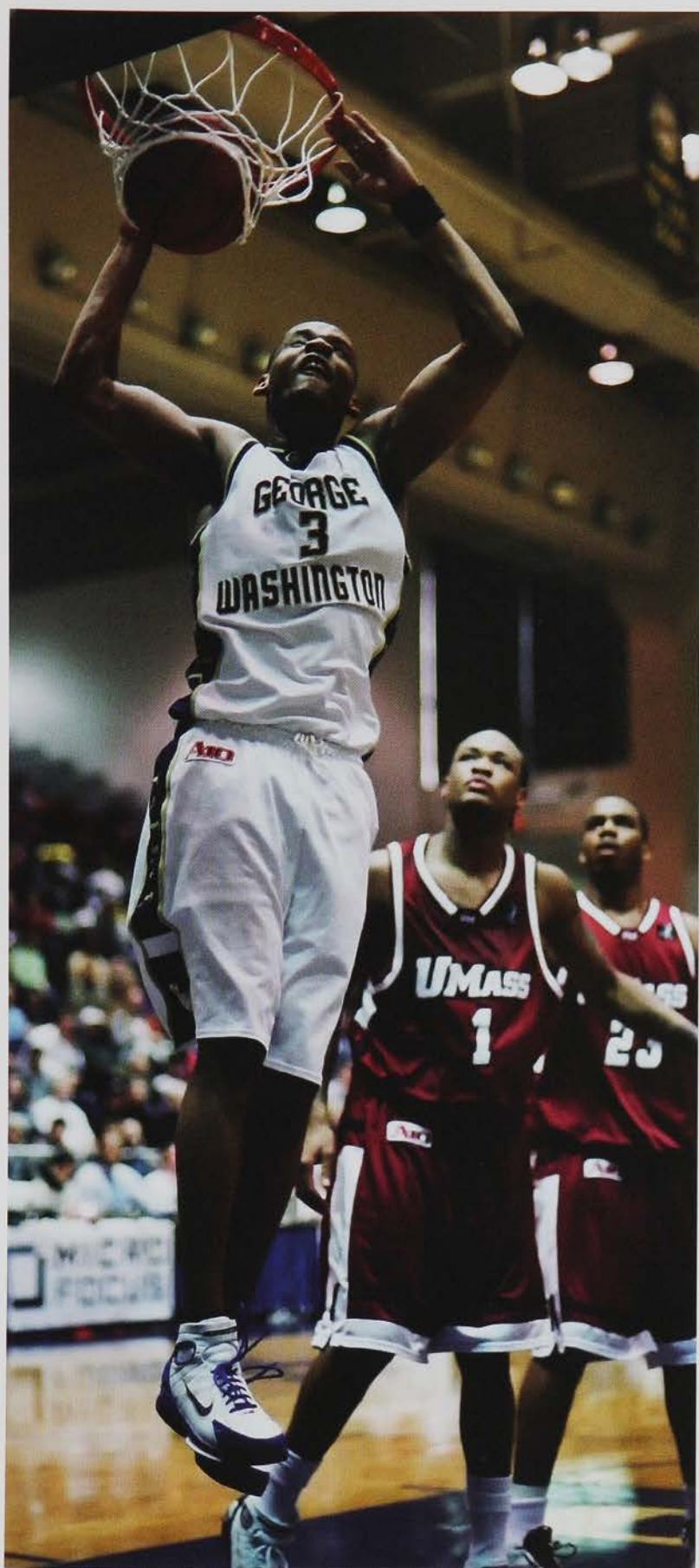


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Predicted as the team to beat in the Atlantic 10 Conference, the Colonials certainly did not disappoint. The season was led by T.J. Thompson, as the Colonials started off the season 3-1 heading into the BB&T Classic. After taking out #9 Michigan State in the semifinals, 96-83, George Washington won the tournament by defeating #12 Maryland, 101-92. Thompson scored a game-high 27 points and earned tournament MVP honors. The victory propelled the Colonials into the top 25 national teams for the first time in six years. The Colonials continued their strong play throughout the season, highlighted by a thrilling half-court buzzer-beater shot by Carl Elliot to win over conference rival Dayton. They won the A-10 West regular season championship, which gave them a number one seed going into the conference tournament. The men proceeded to tear through the tournament, beating St. Joseph's in the finals and receiving an automatic bid to the NCAA tournament, their first appearance since 1998. The season ended in the first round to the 2004 National Finalists, Georgia Tech. Finishing with a record of 22-8; the Colonials had an unforgettable season.

*-Devin Williams*



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Without last year's team leaders, Cathy Joens and Ugo Oha, rivals were quick, and hopeful, to write-off the Lady Colonials as unlikely contenders; however, to their opponents dismay, the team continued their dominance of the Atlantic 10. Led by All-American Candidate Anna Montañana, the Colonials went 13-3 in the conference, giving them a share of the A-10 West title and a place in the quarterfinals of the A-10 tournament. The women proceeded to dominate Fordham and Richmond before falling to #16 Temple in the finals. This secured the Colonials 12th appearance in the NCAA tournament, where they took out the Ole Miss Rebels in the first round before going down to the top-seeded North Carolina Tar Heels to end their post-season run. The Colonials went 23-9 overall, making it the 14th time since 1991 that they have posted at least 20 wins. Seniors Montañana and Jessica Simmonds both earned all-conference honors and freshman Kimberly Beck was named the A-10 Rookie of the Year.

-Devin Williams



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(Alphabetically) Kimberly Beck, Kenan Cole, Liz Dancause, Audie Fugett, Kristina Gineitis, Sarah-Jo Lawrence, Amanda LoCascio, Lora Mitchell, Anna Montanana, Jessica Simmonds, Lisa Steele, Corinne Turner. Head Coach- Joe McKeown.



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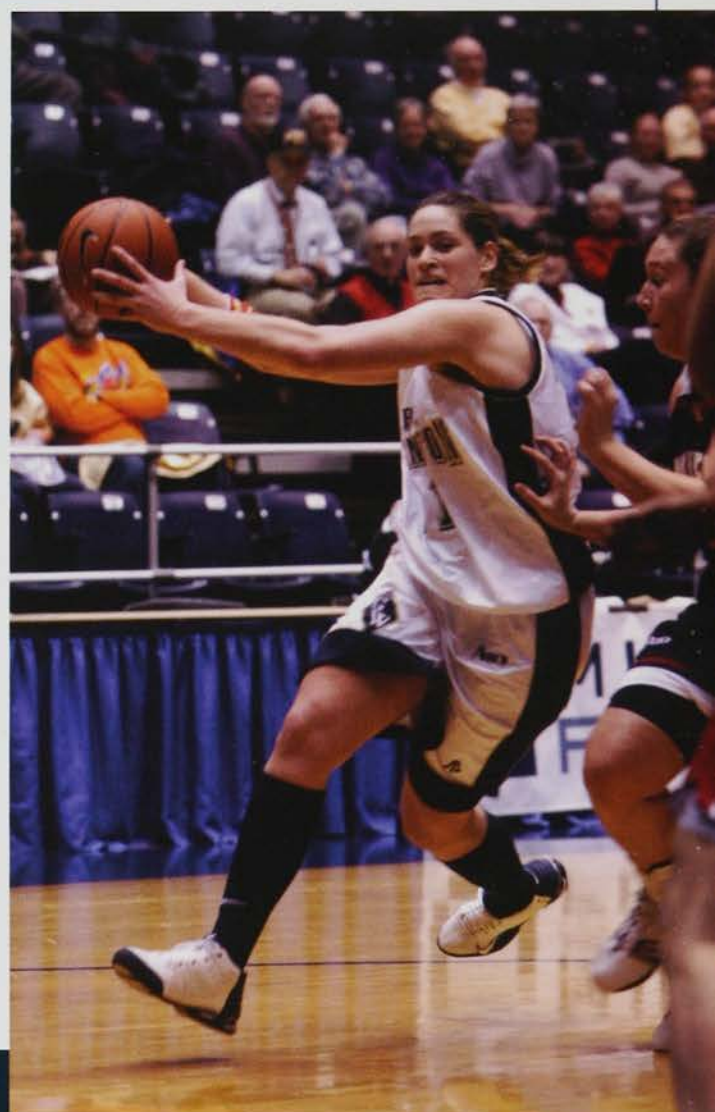


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# *Women's Basketball*



The third season of the men's squash team continued to show improvement for the relatively young program. The team began the season 2-2 before a challenging middle of the season got the best of them. Although matches did not seem to go GW's way, the team battled through the hardships with unrelenting perseverance. This year the Colonials had their first ever home match at the Health and Wellness Center. Over 100 boisterous fans came out to watch the Colonials take on the top 10 ranked Navy squad. Although Navy took home the win, the fans got the chance to see some great competition. The men completed their season strong by beating Columbia and Northwestern before falling to Rochester. The men finished as finalists in the End of the Year Championships.

*-Devin Williams*



(Alphabetically ) Ravindran Alfreds, Charles Buaron, Alex Funk, John Georg, Michael Greenwald, Ben Hoefs, Jose Mogollon, Samir Patel, Dan Shafer, Dan Tannebaum, Gregory Vernick, Tyler Wolas. Coach: Simon Harrington.



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# Men's Squash



# Women's Squash



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(Alphabetically) Maggie Alexander, Emily Elliot, Rachel Giuliano, Susan Goldstein, Jessica Marks, Alexa Miller, Estefania Montoya, Laura Nagy, Michelande Ridore, Helene Seydoux, Bettina Scott. Coach: Maura Myers

With a new head coach, Maura Myers, bringing tremendous coaching and organizational experience, the GW Women's squash team was ready to contribute even more to this growing varsity sport. The ladies started off their season with a big 5-4 win over Virginia, and followed it up with a win against Haverford. Getting into mid-season, losses and cancellations could have disheartened the team, but they continued to work hard to prepare for their first ever home match in the Lerner Health and Wellness Center. The ladies did not disappoint as they completed the season sweep of Virginia in a dominating 8-1 performance. The season was a great success, and with only one senior graduating, the outlook for next season appears promising.

*-Devin Williams*



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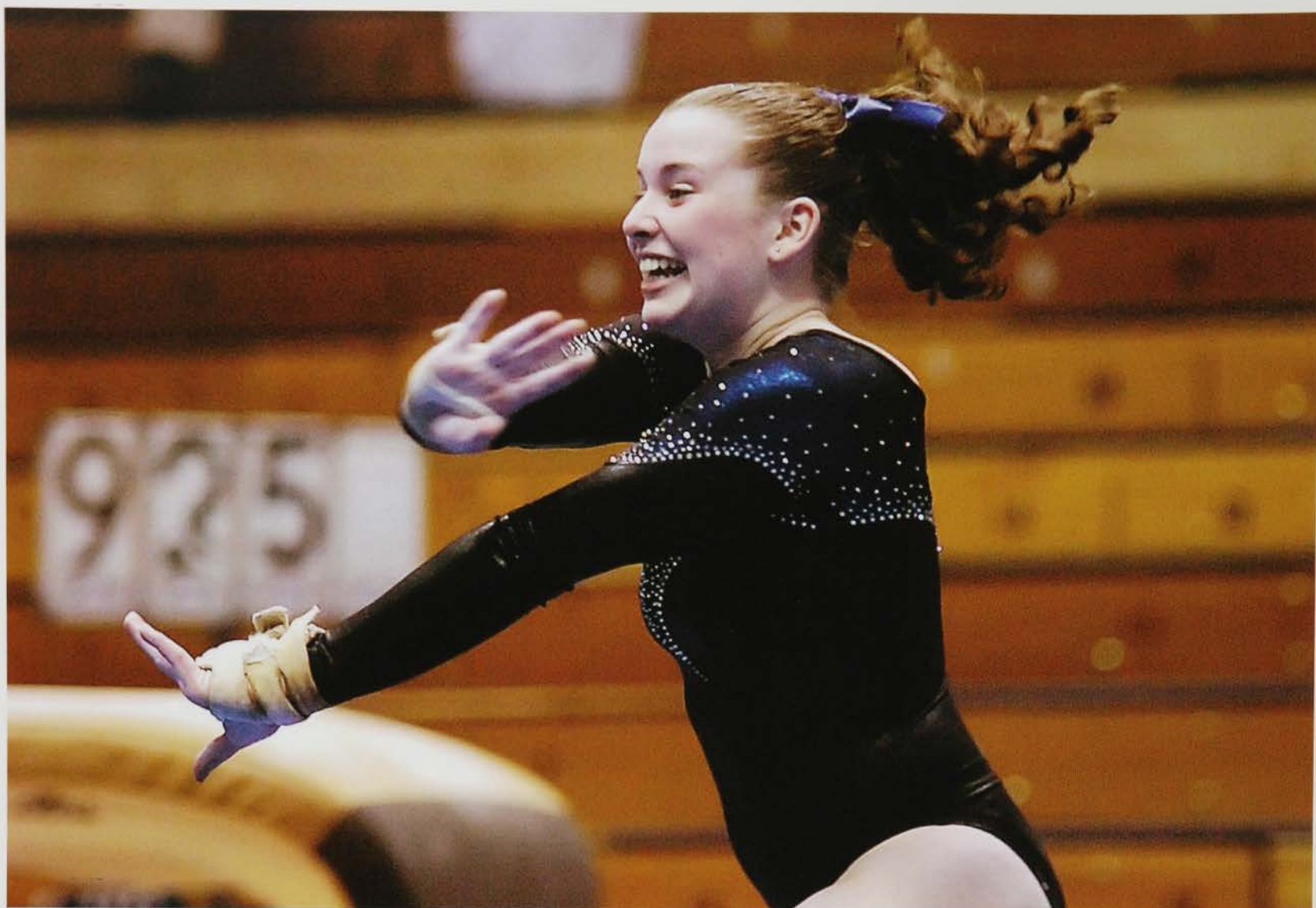


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The 2005 season began a new age for the GW gymnastics team when they entered their first season as the newest members of the East Atlantic Gymnastics League (EAGL). The EAGL was a much more competitive conference compared to the A-10, which the Colonials had dominated for the past 17 years. With ten returning team members, including senior co-captains Stephanie Tocco and Meagan Wilson, and the addition of four new members, the Colonials looked to make a name for themselves in their new conference. Highlights of the season included a big victory over Maryland at home and defeating #17 Kentucky at the Colonial Classic. At EAGL Championships, the Colonials came in 5th, topping New Hampshire, Rutgers, and Pittsburgh and recording their highest score of the season. Juniors Erin Aiken, Heather Kaufman, and Amy Stack all qualified for the NCAA Southeast Region Championships at the season's end. The women gave strong performances throughout the season, especially freshmen Gillian Coleman who earned EAGL Rookie of the Week and Carolyn Marckesano who stepped up big on the floor and vault. The losses of Tocco and Wilson will be strongly felt by the team, but with plenty of young talent, the team has high expectations for next season.

*-Devin Williams*



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(Alphabetically) Erin Aiken, Gillian Coleman, Imogen Dall, Jess Guilbert, Emily Howarth, Tiffany Jones, Heather Kaufman, Carolyn Marckesano, Abbey Myles, Maggie Parrack, McKenzie Parrack, Amy Stack, Stefanie Tocco, Meagan Wilson. Coach- Margie Foster-Cunningham.

## Gymnastics



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(Alphabetically) Mark Adam, Andrew Boudreau, Jeffrey Cohn, Mark DeSimone, Bryan Ferretti, Sean Flaherty, Jeffrey Glazer, Richard Hoffman, Danny Johnson, Justin Licht, Daniel Mahoney, Bryan Michels, John Osterholt, David Penneys, Tom Roman, Jonathan Sabin, Robert Stuart, Brian Waldman. Coach-Dan Rhinehart.



# *Men's Swimming*





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Led by their esteemed captain Bryan Ferretti, the GW Men's swim team started off their season in grand fashion by placing first at the Potomac Relays. Unfortunately, this win did not set the tone for their season, as the men's team completed their season with a 0 – 7 dual meet record. Through team had a rough season of narrow defeats, the team still did remarkably well at the Atlantic 10 championships, placing fourth overall. Sean Flaherty took the first individual victory and won the 500-meter freestyle. Bryan Ferretti, Mark Adam, John Sabin, Brian Waldman, and John Osterholt all scored in the top eight of their respective events and Dan Mahoney, Jeff Cohn, and Jeff Glazer scored in the top 16 of their best events. It may seem with this record that the GW Men's swim team would not have many spectators, but the team actually had quite the audience at home meets. Whether it be for their general GW spirit, or perhaps for the good-looking gentlemen in Speedos, there were always cheers from the stands.

*-Mark Adam*



Team captains Maggie Moss and Kirsten Rasmunson lifted their team to a 2-5 dual meet record. Diver Katura Horton-Perinchief led the diving team throughout the season by repeatedly placing first in her events. Horton-Perinchief qualified for the NCAA diving championships where she finished 26th in the platform event, 31st in the three-meter event, and 32nd in the one-meter event. In swimming, the women placed third overall at the Atlantic 10 championships. The event leaders were Horton-Perinchief, Megan Loock, Maggie Moss, Christina Boland, Kirsten Rasmunson, and Alicia Moulton who all scored in the top eight of their respective events. Monica Pampell and Shannon Ma also contributed by scoring in the top 16 of their fastest events. Although the team was riddled with injuries throughout the season, the women pulled through when it mattered most—at the very end. The women took home third place at the Atlantic 10 Championships in Buffalo, New York. With the difference between first and third often hovering at hundredths of a second, the GW women's swim team pushed themselves for even the smallest advantage. At the end of the season the lost seniors Rasmunson and Horton-Perinchief, but even so, the team exhibited the tenacity and the strength to make next season an even better one.

*-Mark Adam*



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(Alphabetically) Christina Boland, Nicole Cadman, Tessa Campbell, Michelle Caputy, Paige Davis, Katura Horton-Perinchief, Caitlin Hyde, Megan Looock, Shannon Ma, Carolyn Maresch, Andrea Martin, Maggie Moss, Maureen Moss, Alicia Moulton, Monica Pampell, Kirsten Rasmuson, Jill Ursini. Coach Dan Rhinehart.



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## *Women's Swimming*





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## *Muslim Students Association*

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Ali Ahmad, Amin Al-Sarraf, Khudija Amjad, Nouf Bazaz, William Donovan, Kaiser Farooque, and Saif Inam



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## Newman Catholic Students Center

Newman Catholic Student Center provided an opportunity for GW students to deepen their relationship with Jesus Christ while forging bonds with their peers. Students were found in the Center's F Street townhouse praying, studying, eating, and hanging out. The Newman Center offered holy day liturgies, weekly dinners, and prayer groups. In the Christian tradition, students also answered the call to service by feeding the homeless at Martha's Table and visiting with the elderly in the Foggy Bottom community.

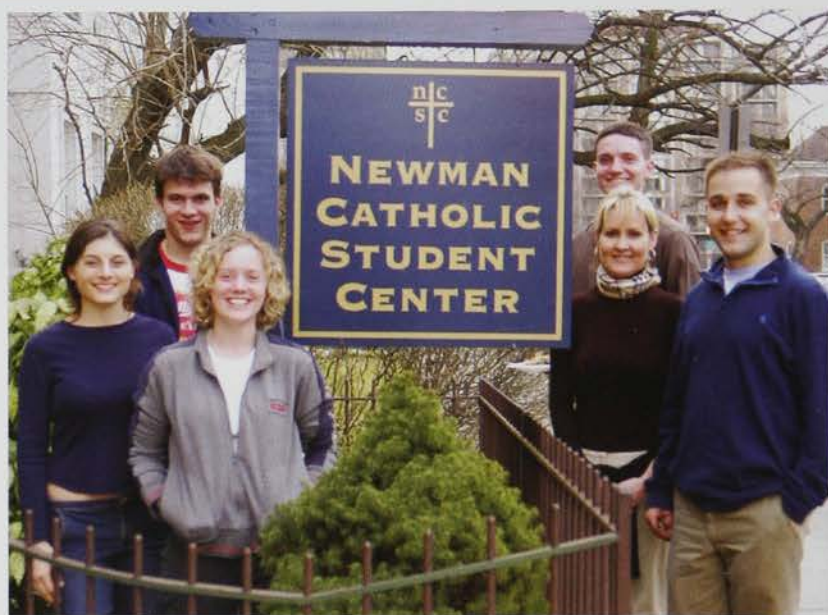


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## Hawaiian Club

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## *The Spanish Club*

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## *The German Club*

Joshua Alcorn, Declan Binninger, Jonathan Gast, Lorelei Kirchner, Maria McManus, and Zachary Wynne, Kelly Cogswell, Robert Davis, Andrew Eilts, Stephan Franzoni, Georg Grosse, Benjamin Hoefs, L.J. Koch, Whitney Kocher, Carl Mackensen, Daniel Neubert, Valida Prentice, Liam Tumas, Ashley Westby, and Jack Zohora



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## *GW French Club*

Natasha Akda, Maggie Beckham, Dana Chester, Julianne Hunkins, Christopher Hwalek, Sarah Mills, Mirabelle Oczkowski, and Edward Russell



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Emily Goodstein, Alyx Ackerfeld, Yasmin Yaver, Joe Venti, Sonal Bains, Tovah Pentelovitch, Gina Ekmekjian, Erika Schnure, Arleigh Incarvite, Amanda Bates, and April Meyer

## *Voices for Choices*

## *Colonials for Life*

Emily Karrs, Erin March, Kristine Esposito, Priscilla Monico, Stephanie Obenschain, Suanne Edmiston, Stephanie Lococo, John Walker, Carmine Iaccarino, John McCormack, Gary Livacari, La Vida Johnson, Robert Laramey, Adam Drexler, Jessica Prince, Raul Vidal, and Jackie Andes



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*February*



# Saint Valentine's Day

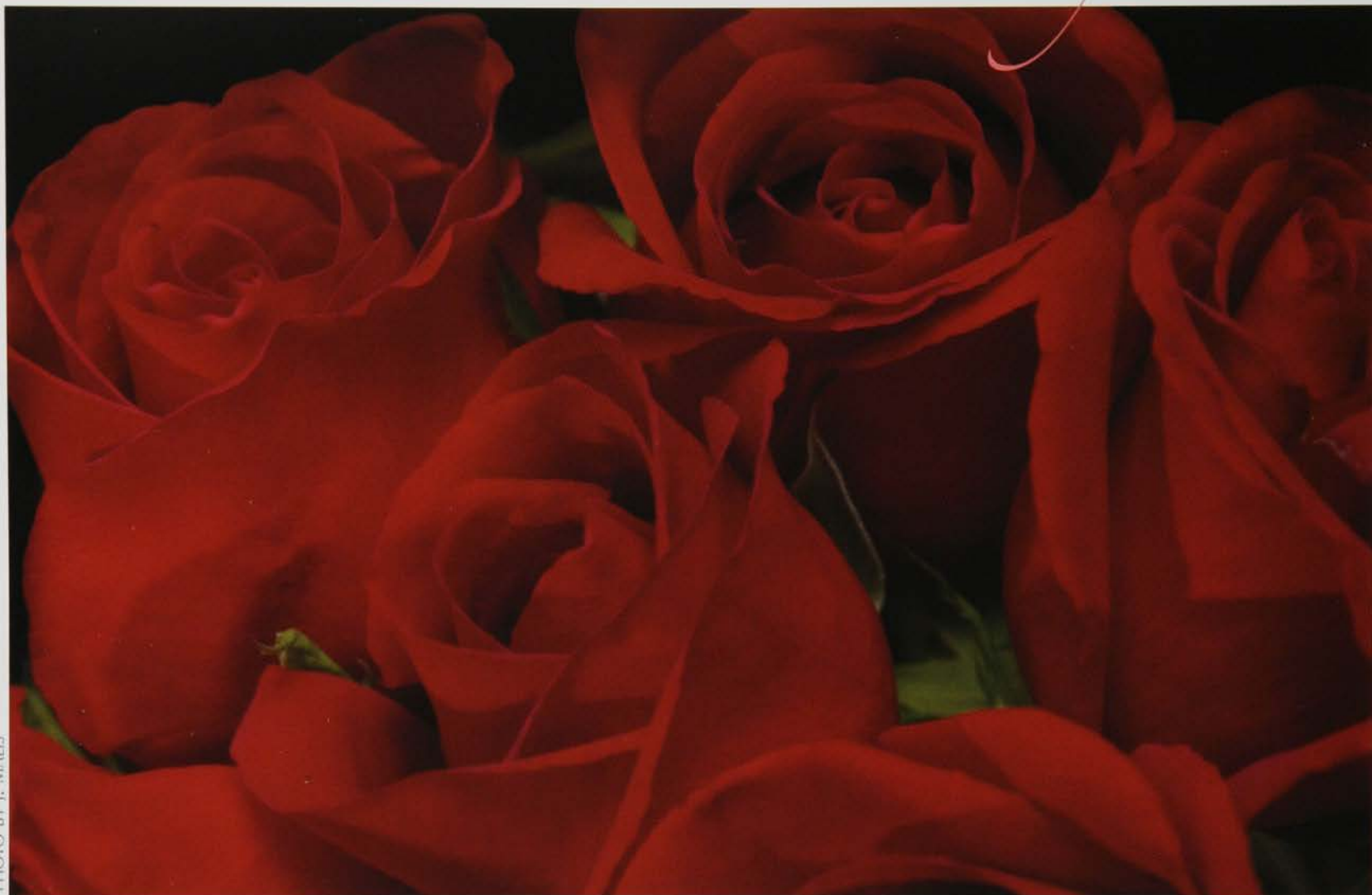


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As college sweethearts and DC lovebirds filled the reservation list of every candlelit restaurant in town, others simply spread the spirit of love to their family and friends. The “growing children” of GW always welcomed the thoughtful chocolate and candy-filled package from mom, which roommates often also appreciated. GW spread love to the community as students bought singing telegrams from Alpha Kappa Alpha Sorority, Inc. and lollipops from Alpha Epsilon Phi sorority, who both donated their proceeds to charity. A few thoughtful community facilitators made cookies and valentines for their residents, while many friends simply took the time to give hugs and warm greetings. With the range of activity associated with the holiday, many wondered: where did Valentine’s Day come from? While some claim the holiday was created by a vast greeting card company conspiracy, others have sardonically deemed it “Singles’ Awareness Day.” Historically, the answer tends to vary. In ancient Athens, the period between mid-January and mid-February was the month of Gamelion, which was dedicated to the sacred marriage of Zeus and Hera. The first recorded association of St. Valentine’s Day with romantic love was in the 14th century in England and France, where February 14th was traditionally the day on which birds paired off to mate. Taking their cue from nature, it was common during that era for human “lovebirds” to exchange notes on this day and to call each other their “valentines.” The tradition then traveled to the U.S. via British settlers in the 18th century and resurfaced in the 19th century, when Esther Howland began making the first mass-produced valentines. Howland gives some credit to the greeting card conspiracy theory—her father operated a large book and stationery store.

—Caitlin B. Doherty





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# George's Birthday



In honor of our man, President George Washington, students received a day of relaxation and leisure. The GW community celebrated President Washington's 273rd birthday and gathered around a massive bonfire in University Yard for a night of festivities. Students socialized while enjoying the beats and melodies of a fife and drum corps clad in knickers and petticoats. Free food was a popular attraction among the group who huddled close to the massive flames of the bonfire on the chilly January evening. Students also cheered on friends who competed in the cherry pie-eating contest. Earlier in the day, the Colonial Community initiative arranged to have cherry pies delivered by the GW Spirit Team to 30 different university departments. The birthday of our nation's first president certainly has special significance for the university named in his honor.

-Meghan Gibas







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# Step Show



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The GW chapter of Alpha Phi Alpha, Inc. integrated service with entertainment through the organization of a regional step team competition that raised money for charity. One of the highlights of Black History month, the Alpha Phi Alpha Charity Step Show filled Lisner with rhythm and beat in the art of "step." The uniquely African-American modern dance is influenced and inspired from native African dance. The African roots of lively percussion and concurrent choreography were evident, but each step team gave their own modern twist. Phi Beta Sigma of Morehouse College won \$1,000 for best overall fraternity, while the Federal City Alumni chapter of Delta Sigma Theta sorority won \$1,000 for best overall sorority. The women's routine combined old school hip-hop, paying tribute to Jam Master J and impersonating L.L. Cool J. The runner-up, citywide alumni chapter of Zeta Phi Beta sorority, dressed in white business suits with sparkling blue ties and imitated the popular TV series "The Apprentice" with its famous line: "You're fired." Funds raised at this year's show were divided between the Black Genesis Memorial Scholarship, the Tsunami Relief Effort, and the fund for the construction of the Reverend Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. Memorial.

-Meghan Gibas



# Black History Month



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Under the poignant theme "Black Is," February marked a time to celebrate the history and achievements of African-Americans. Many different events took place throughout the month to denote the importance of black history in the United States. Supported by the Multicultural Student Services Center, several student organizations, and the Multicultural Greek Council, Black History Month was well-organized and successful in uniting students of diverse backgrounds in a celebration of both culture and awareness. The month kicked off with an Ethiopian cultural night followed by a free screening of a biographical documentary of Langston Hughes. The GW Black Graduate Student Association hosted a "Soul Food Extravaganza" for only \$10. A highlight event, included a performance by author and comedian, Dick Gregory. February was filled with events that honored the diversity of the GW student body and recognized the importance of black history.

*-Meghan Gibas*





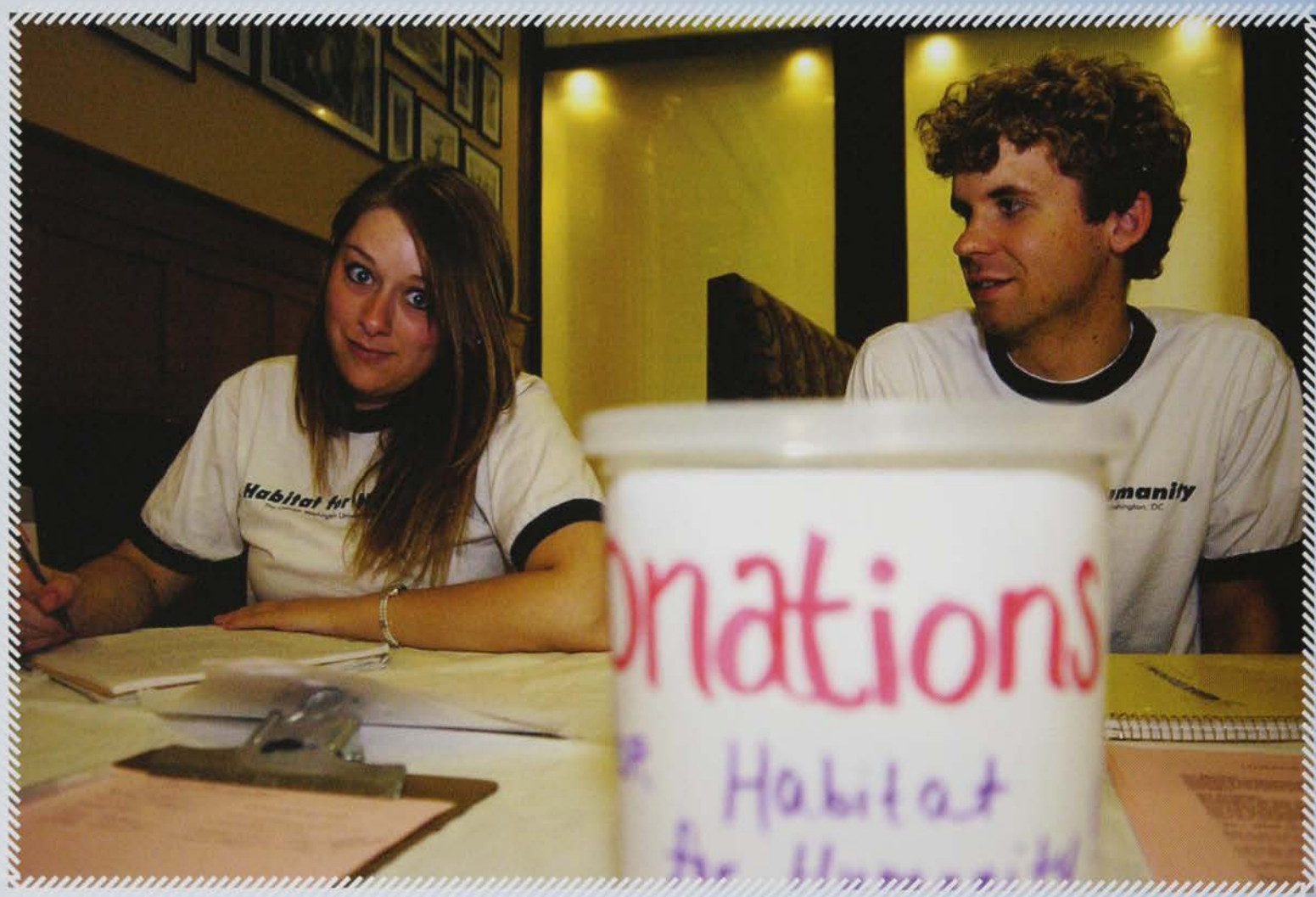
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## "Hasta la Muerte"

The Alpha Gamma chapter of Sigma Lambda Upsilon, also known as Señoritas Latinas Unidas Sorority, Inc., colonized at GW in the spring of 2003. The sorority women dedicated themselves to the goals of sisterhood, academic excellence, leadership, service to the community, and cultural enrichment. The historically Latina organization strove for the guiding ideals of sincerity, loyalty, and unity, which provided a health environment for their sisterhood to flourish. The "hermanas," Spanish for "sisters," joined together to participate in the annual "America's Walk for Diabetes." The hermanas helped raise money and awareness for the American Diabetes Association, whose mission is to "prevent and cure diabetes, and to improve the lives of all people affected by diabetes." After two years of successfully embodying their organization's principles, the women continued to grow as a positive presence on campus.

- Caitlin B. Doherty



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# Sigma Lambda Upsilon





# Alpha Kappa Alpha



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The Mu Delta sorors of Alpha Kappa Alpha exhibited style, class, and intelligence, all the while maintaining a formidable calendar of social and philanthropic commitments. Within the GW community, the ladies sponsor a text book raffle and use the proceeds to provide hard-working minority students majoring in math, science, or engineering. The chapter also co-sponsors many events that further the educated discussion of race on campus. For example, the women co-sponsor a multicultural dating game that encourages the breakdown of stereotypes and promotes a unified atmosphere on campus. In the greater DC area, the ladies mentor students from Lucy Diggs Slowe Elementary School in Northeast Washington, DC and fundraise for S.O.M.E., "So Others May Eat." Though the sorors were busy around campus, they found time to relax and enjoy their strong sisterhood.

- Caitlin B. Doherty



*"Service to all mankind"*





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## Caribbean Students Organization

Tuere Kareem, Jolie Thompson, Kathryn Nurse, and Nikki Henry Jen McAlpine, Jay Mehta, and Alex Michael

## Asian Student Alliance

Kara Fukumoto, Ariz Matute, Mari Horike, Kady Mo, Julia Lee, Go Kasai, Christine Delarosa, Quoc An Troung, and James Zarsadiaz



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## South Asian Society

Vinay Patel, Shahzin Amarsi, Sailesh Konda, Alma Shroff, Mihir Shah, Nisha Kapadia, Ankur Bhalla, Nuzhat Naoreen, Aakash Shah, Rupal Doshi, Pankti Desai, Sabrina Ziaee, Kavita Desai, Samantha Panda, and Mahima Tiwari





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## Chinese American Student Association

Monica Lee, Esther McElroy, May Choy, Peter Young, Xi Chen, Kumutmas Kampanatsanyakorn, Kacia Shu pei Ng, Annie Huynh, Teresa Lin, Nate Hayward, Douglas Chiu, Angie Chang, and Justin Mao Jen McAlpine, Jay Mehta, and Alex Michael

## Japanese Student Association

Kazuhiro Obayashi, Mitsuhiro Takeda, Makoto Wada, Junko Kato, and Junko Konishi



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## Korean Students Association

Seung-Yeul Ahn, Mark Baik, Brian Hong, Sae Mee Hwang, Jae Jun Kang, Seung-Yeon Kang, Janice Ko, Kyu Ha Lee, Paul Lee, HaYoung Oh, and Minji Suh





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## GW Pride

GW Pride has been a prominent student organization on campus for over thirty years, hosting events in the GW and DC communities alike, including an annual charity auction in cooperation with local businesses. The group seeks to foster awareness and understanding through programming that is both social and educational in its nature. Pride is also dedicated to forming alliances with other groups in the Washington area and seeks the participation of those who do identify themselves as gay, bisexual, or transsexual.

## Feminist Majority Leadership Alliance

Lucia Cucinotta, Samantha Fernandez, Lisa Fineberg, Coie Hennessy, Laura Karr, Stephanie Kovacs, Carmen Oyarzun, Stephanie Pimentel, Nichelle Ricketts-Lewis, Sara Sherwood, Emily Singer, Emma Spaulding, Jessica Stellenwerf, Xiamo Wang, and Joy Welan



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## GW Chapter of the National Organization for Women

Violet Ricker, Joseph Anaya, Amanda Hess, Danica Kane, and Julian Peterson





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## The Out Crowd

Thomas Blackburn, Lauren Christopher, Richard Ferraro, Parker Gaskins, Jason Hipp, Jennifer Proctor, and Ryan Wheeler

## Amnesty International

Amnesty International's GW chapter took an active role within the local community and in the broader human rights movement. While letter writing campaigns were the group's core commitment, Amnesty members were often seen tabling in the Marvin Center to increase awareness of important human rights causes. This year, they sponsored many eye-opening events including a photo exhibit about the conflict in Sudan, a student AIDS march, and a "Stop Violence Against Women" coffeehouse.



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## Students for Fair Trade

Thomas Gennaro, Peter Goldberg, Eleanor Grewal, Benjamin Himmelfarb, Melissa Marquardt, Lina Musayev, Kerri O'Neill, Elena Sierra, Meredith Throop, and Andrew Brown





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## Black Student Union

Imani Farley (Secretary), Shana Hall (Membership Director), Stephen Harris (Co-President), Heather Howard (Co-President), Lia LaCour (Community Service Director), Ayda Taye (Public Relations Director), Christina Vickers (Vice President), and Lauren Wilson (Vice President)

## NAACP

Paul Kendrick, Hilary Golston, Angie Arrington, Undra Robinson, Jillian Colbert, Tanisha Creed, Audai Shakour, Tisa Harwin, Chris Pitre, Donald Peters, Matt Graham, Aba Sasore, Alli Taffour, Jen Gore, Jen Clewis, Shannon Holmes, Cidney Christie, Kim McConkey, Nai Khelma, and Whitney Macguire



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## Organization of Latino Students

Natalia Molano (President), Paulina Abaunza, Julia Macedo, Priscilla Monico, Frida Matute, Galia Sandy, Mark Anthony Lebron, Lindsay Good, Mario Rodriguez, and Carla Martinez





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Omar T. Woodard (President), Anyah Dembling (Executive Vice President), Christian A. Washington (Chief Administrative Officer), Chris Percopo (VP for Judicial and Legislative Affairs), Ross Mankuta (VP for Academic Affairs), Vik Bakhru (VP for Graduate Student Policy), Isaiah Pickens (VP for Undergraduate Student Policy), Chrissy Caggiano (VP for Community Affairs), Stephanie Adelman (VP for Financial Affairs), Carrie Warick (VP for Public Affairs), Judah Ferst (VP for Student Activities), Karinna Arroyo, Calder Brannock, Rita Sinha, Tiffani Wesley, Thane Tuttle, Sean White, and Heather Howard

## Student Association Executive Board

## Student Association Senate

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Anyah Dembling (Executive Vice President), Morgan Corr (CCAS-U), Hilary Golston (CCAS-U), Josh Lasky (CCAS-U), Timothy Saccoccia (CCAS-U), Ben Traverse (CCAS-U), John Van Name (CCAS-U), Ryan Kilpatrick (ESIA-U), Kyle Spector (ESIA-U), Eli Mazour (SEAS-U), CJ Calloway (GWSB-U), Anthony Marinos (GWSB-U), Kevin Waloff (SPHHS-U), Mike Diwan (GWSB-G), Jordyn Cosmé (At Large-U), Peter Feldman (At Large-U), Chris Layfield (SPHHS-G), Jason Karasik (At Large-G), Nandi Witter (At Large-G), Steve Driscoll (Law), Randall Levine (Law), Siyavash Fooladian (SMHS), and Matt Tuck (SMHS)





## iPod installation

The tech-savvy generation was evident everywhere: at the gym, on the street, in the library, and on the metro. A definite advancement from the boom-box trend of the 1980s, the iPod emerged as the "must have" device for the modern college student. Pink, white, green, or gold, original, mini, or shuffle, the signature Apple iPod white headphones were spotted everywhere. With their sleek, seemingly weightless design and user-friendly interface, these devices quickly became the preferred portable music device on campus. The iPod allowed users to carry their entire musical collection with them at all times, as the top-of-the-line model in 2005 was able to accommodate 15,000 songs. Apple iPod owners could switch from Beethoven to Beck to Britney with the click of a button. Since Apple first introduced the music player in 2001, the company has sold over 30 million iPods and over a half billion songs.

*-Katey Collora*





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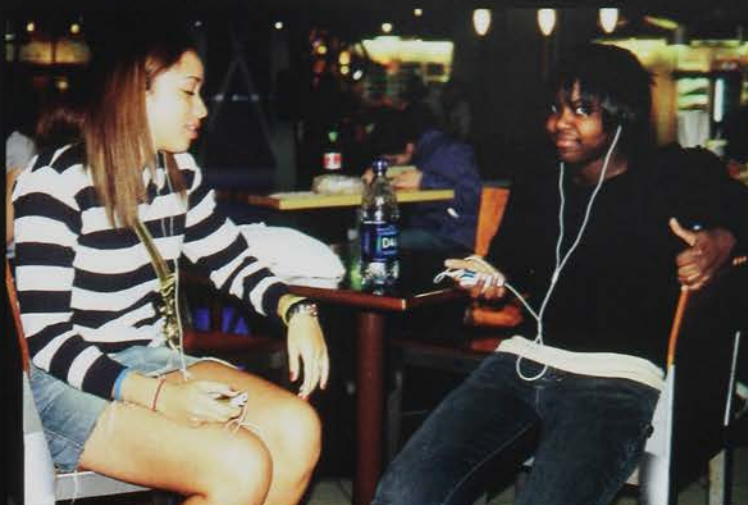


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*The air and the earth interpenetrated  
in the warm gusts of spring.*

*The air one breathed was saturated with earthy smells,  
and the grass under foot had a reflection of the blue sky in it.*  
-Willa Cather



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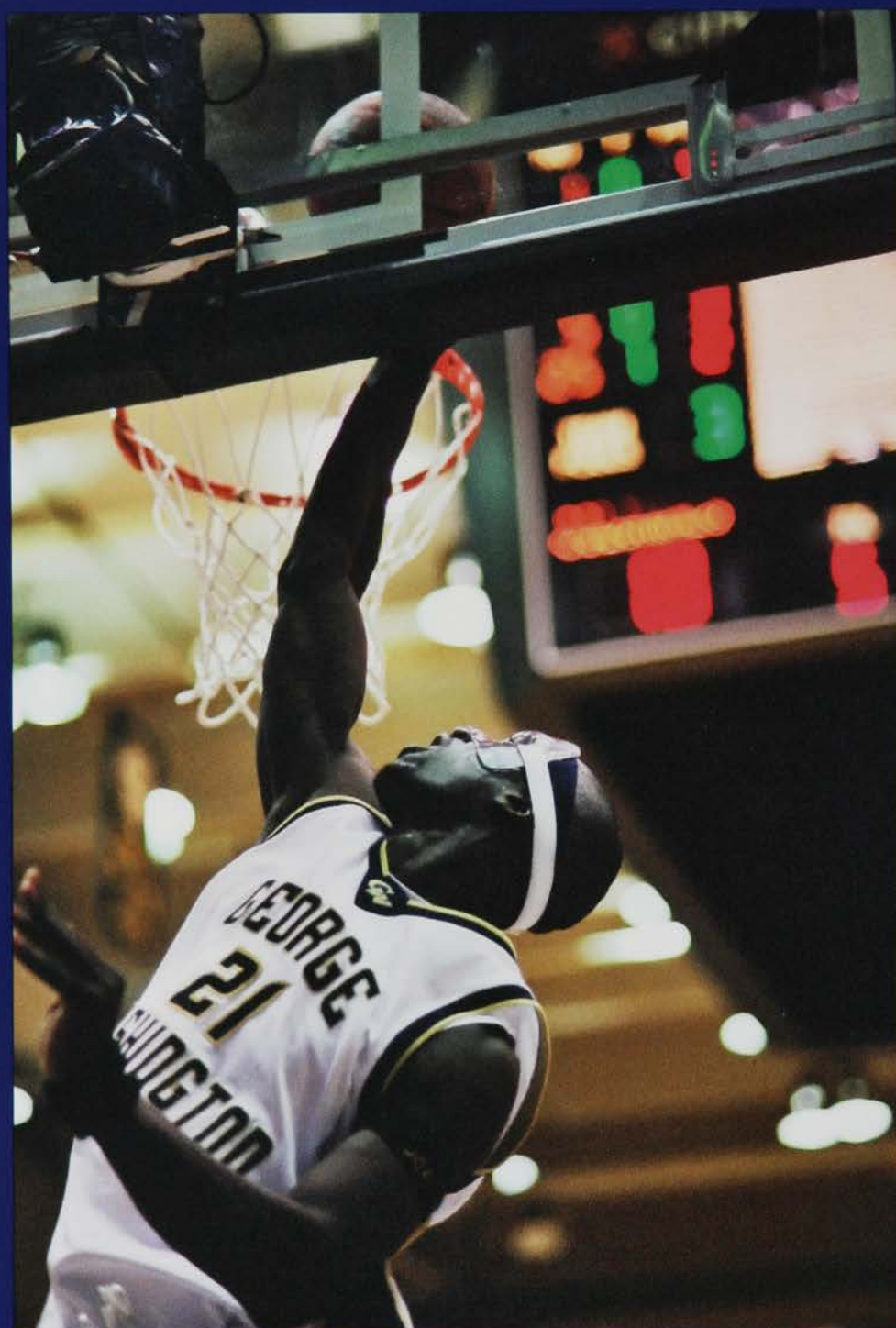
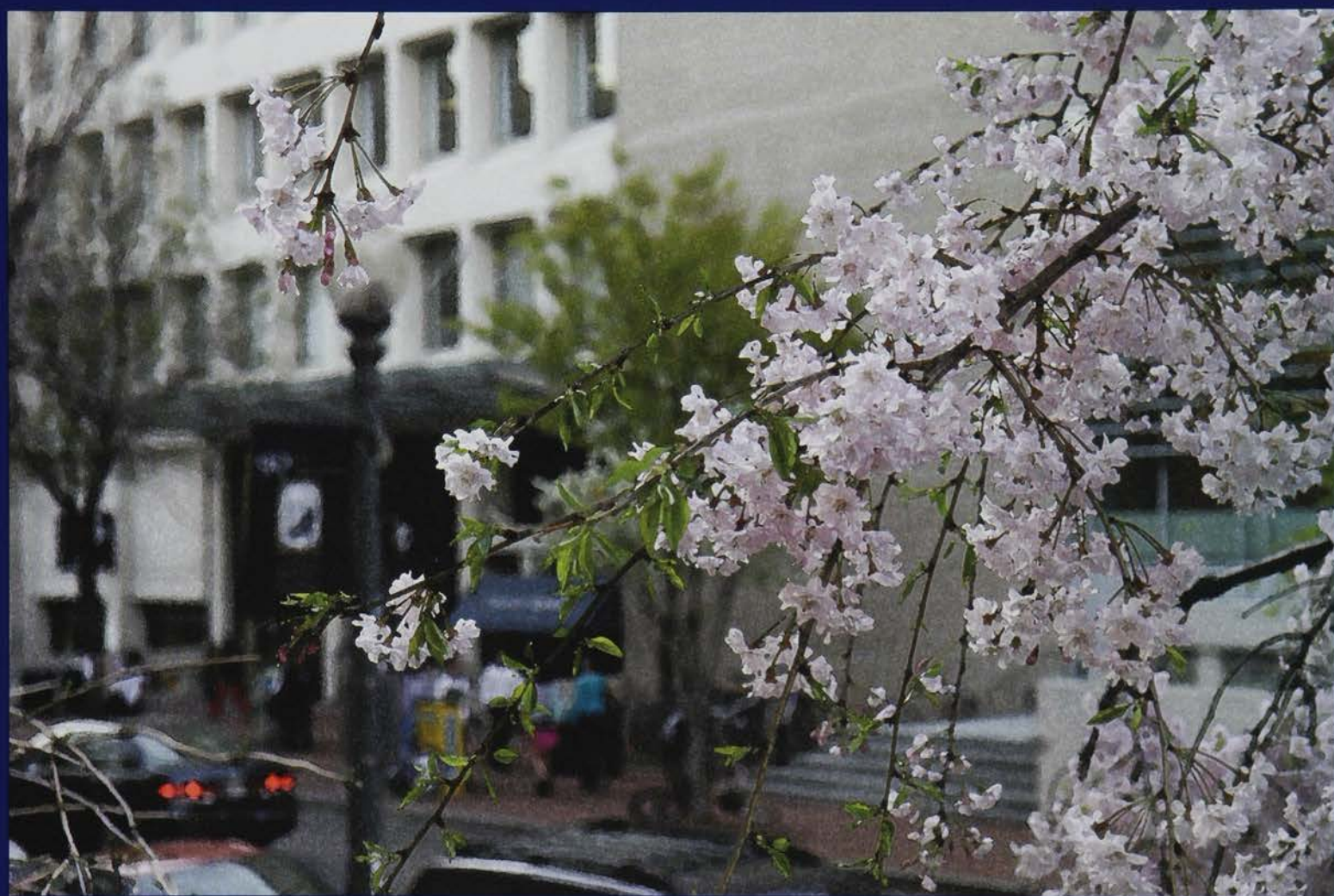


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*March*



# March Madness

March is arguable the best month of the year... not for the beginning of spring, not for Easter Sunday, not for St. Patrick's Day, and, no, not even for National Blueberry Popover Day. March is the best month of the year because of a little thing called the tourney, the big dance, March Madness—formally known as the NCAA tournament. The 2005 NCAA tournament was especially exciting this year for the GW community, with both the men's and women's teams making it into the draw. After capturing the Atlantic 10 tournament crown, the men received an automatic bid into the tournament; the team's first appearance since 1998. The Lady Colonials, with yet another 20-win season and a runner-up finish in the A-10 tournament, made their 12th appearance in the dance. In the first round, the men lost 80-68 to a tough Georgia Tech squad that had been in the finals just a year earlier. The ladies rallied from 14 points behind in the second half to beat their first round opponent, Ole Miss; the team fell to the North Carolina Tar Heels in the next round. With each team losing only two seniors, both the men and women teams have high expectations of another sensational March next year.

*-Devin Williams*

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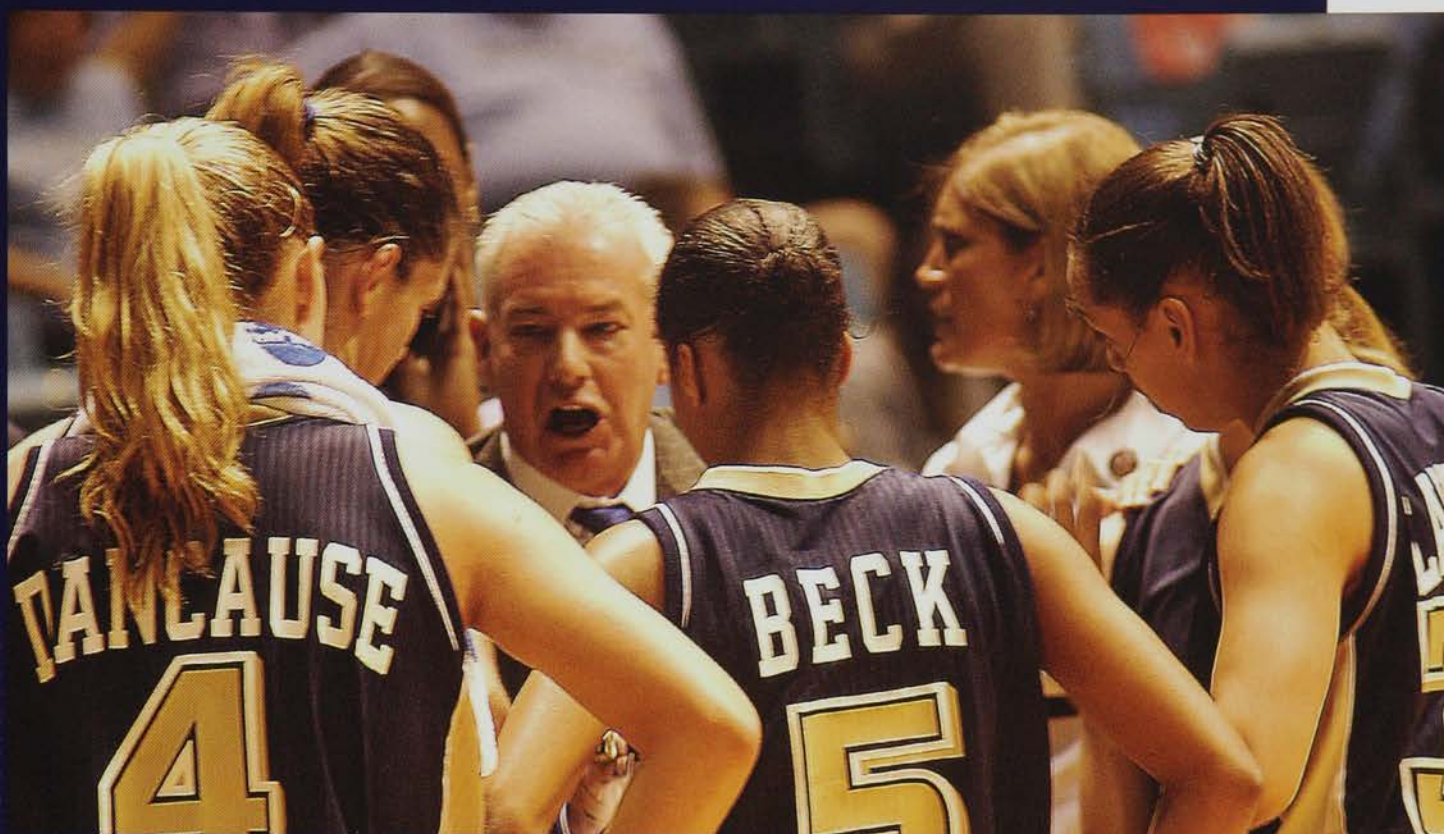


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# Atlantic 10 Tournament



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The Colonials men's and women's basketball teams dominated in the regular season conference play. While the men traveled to Cincinnati, the women's tournament was held at GW in the Smith Center. Favored to win the title, the men lived up to the hype as they cruised past Fordham 79-63 in the quarterfinals and then easily handled Temple 77-58 in the semifinals to earn a berth against St. Joe's in the finals. Led by senior guard and A-10 all-conference player T.J. Thompson, the Colonials topped the Hawks 76-67 to win the A-10 tournament title and an automatic bid to the NCAA tournament. Back in Washington, DC the Lady Colonials rode the momentum of the home crowd and beat Fordham 62-51 in the quarterfinals and slaughtered Richmond 63-44 to advance to the finals. In a tough championship game against the Temple Owls, the ladies fell just short of the title, losing 70-62, an unfortunate end to the women's 22-home game winning streak. However, with such a successful 20-win season and a solid A-10 tournament run, the ladies also earned a bid to the NCAA tournament.

-Darin Williams



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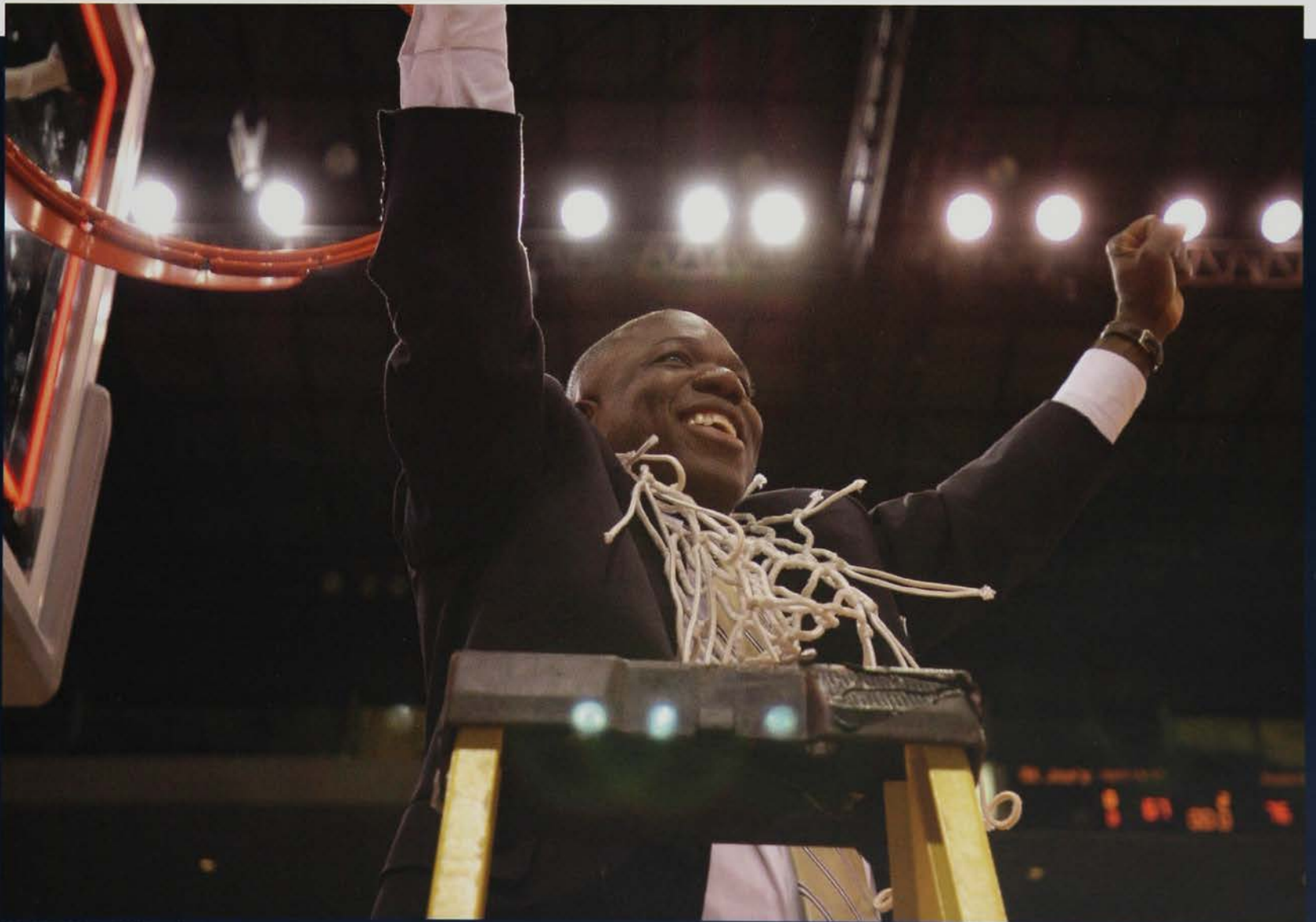


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# Baseball



(Alphabetically) Andrew Abokhair, Joel Bookens, Nate CasaGrande, Keith Fier, Brian Frazier, Josh Goldberg, Derek Haese, Charlie Kruer, Derrik Lutz, Joe Michalski, Geoff Milsom, Matt Owens, Michael Parker, Dan Pfau, Justin Prinstein, Jay Quinn, Avi Rasowsky, Ryan Roberson, Brad Rosenblat, Tom Shanley, Bill Simpson, Mickey Shupin, Dan Sullivan, Gavin Swanson, Whitey Wallace, Josh Wilkie. Coach- Steve Mrowka.



The tradition of successful GW baseball continued this year as the team put together a stunning 41-19 record, the third best in the program's history. Although it was the first year under head coach Tom Mrowka, the Colonials were able to rely on strong upperclassmen leadership from seniors Ryan Roberson and Brad Rosenblat, who both dominated the A-10 in numerous offensive categories. After winning nine of its final 11 A-10 conference games, the Colonials secured their sixth straight A-10 tournament bid and their second consecutive West Division title. As the second-seed in the tournament, the Colonials finished their season by a close loss in the championship game against the Rhode Island Rams, 9-7. Rosenblat was named the A-10 Player of the Year, earned Third-Team All-American honors, and earned First Team All-Conference honors along with teammates Roberson and Derrick Lutz. This year's seniors will be greatly missed, as four signed professional contracts. Even with the significant loss of talented seniors, the Colonials will return a very talented and experienced team next year with the goal of avenging their loss at the A-10 Championship.

*-Darin Williams*

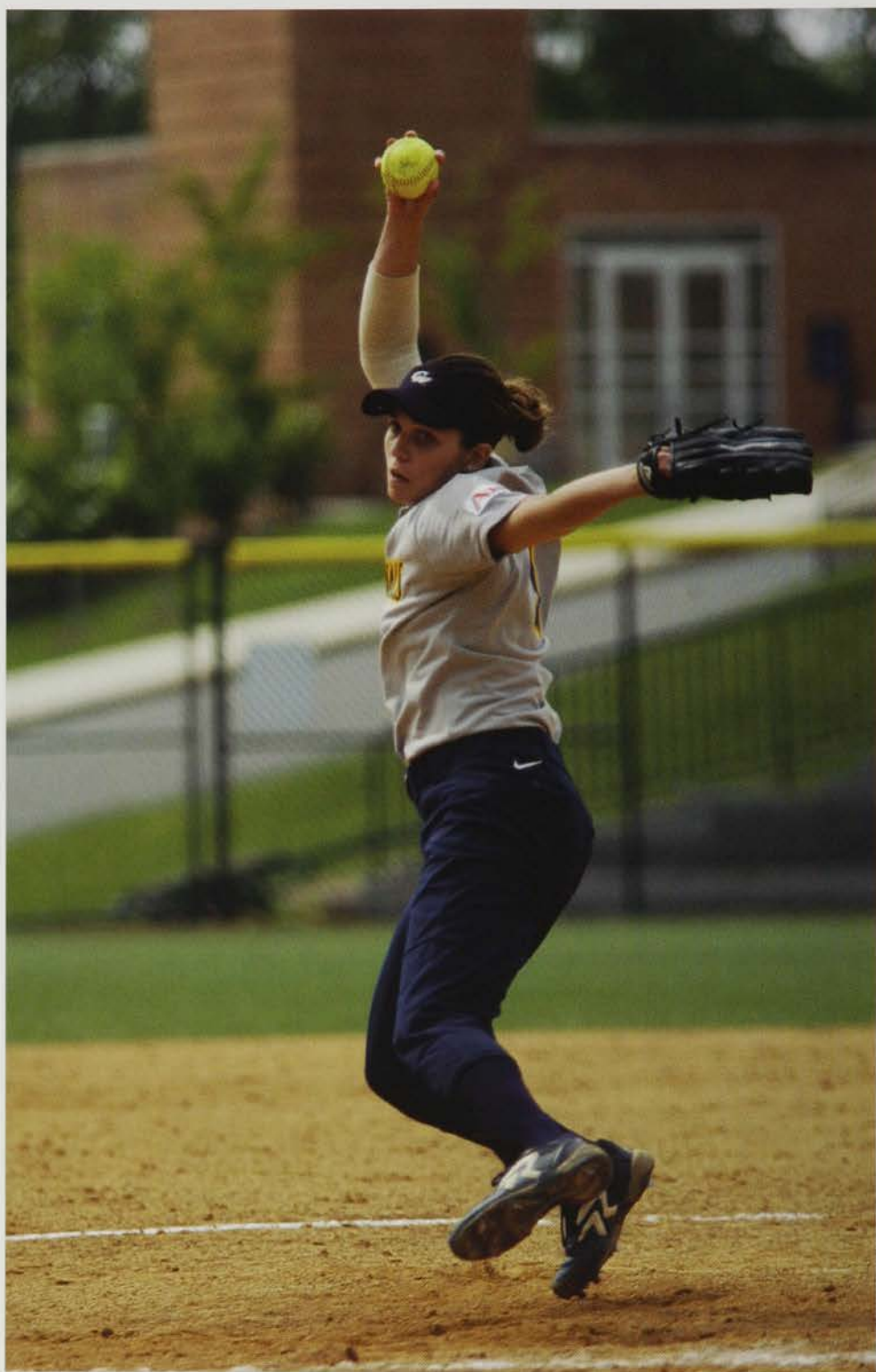


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When the 2004 season ended early due to injury, the 2005 GW softball team looked to rebuild this year with a new head coach, JoAnne Ferguson, and a strong freshman class. The young team finished the season with a record ten victories, the most in the program's short history. The Colonials also boasted a program best 5-9 record in the A-10 to place sixth in the regular season standings. The season was highlighted by the Colonials first ever double-header sweep of a conference opponent and sophomore Elana Meyers becoming the first Colonial in softball history to earn A-10 Academic All-Conference honors. During the season, Meyers was also named an Arthur Ashe Jr. 2005 Softball First-Team Sports Scholar. With great improvement since the program began three years ago, the softball team absorbed valuable experience in order to become a formidable contender in the A-10 Conference in the future.

*-Devin Williams*



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(Alphabetically) Catherine Belanger, Lisa Cohen, Gabby Culp, Jennifer George, Lindsay Graham, Chrysanthi Halkiotis, Katy Harrigan, Caroline Howe, Jen Hrycyna, Colleen Kegler, Melanie Lewis, Elana Meyers, Janelle Parker, Jackie Yaniga. Coach- JoAnne Ferguson.

# Softball





The GW Men's Crew team added to their reputation as a formidable force with another impressive year. After disappointing finishes at the Head of the Charles and Head of the Schuylkill competitions in the fall, the men looked to make up for it in the spring. At the GW Invitational, a stealthy streak of buff and blue cruised the familiar waters of the Potomac River, as the men left their opponents in their wake; the team secured a second place finish out of 12 teams. The following week, the men took second out of 20 teams at the Knecht cup with both the Varsity Eight and Freshmen Eight squads losing close races to Marist University in the finals. After another great outing at the ECAC Championships, the men finished off their season with the Freshmen Four making a strong run into the finals of the IRA Championships and topping Ivy League power Yale for a fourth place finish. The Colonials strung together a solid second half of the season and hoped to carry the momentum into next year.

*-Devin Williams*

## *Men's Crew*



(Alphabetically) Oliver Blodgett, Garner Blume, Matt Brady, Andrew Bono, Alex Cashman, Patrick Clevenger, Tim Conroy, Andrew Cummings, Joe Deleo, Ryan Evans, Amy Garrison, Randy Herz-Thysen, Anoop Kansupada, Justin Luther, Pete Magee, Kate Malone, Michael Mancusi-Ungaro, Christopher McLaurin, Justin Persuitti, Ben Ralen, Henry Roosevelt, Ryan Sangster, Greg Sans, Greg Sherman, Brian Van Benschoten, Nick Vander Veer, Drew Wisniewski. Coach: Matt Boyle.



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(Alphabetically) Kate Austin, Margaret Barr, Jodi Barrett, Erin Baumann, Caitlin Bearce, Eleanor Blackmer, Kelly Cassetori, Elizabeth Cavanaugh, Andrea Comer, Angela Costales, Laura Crotty, Caitlin Devlin, Lindsay Doyle, Kathleen Dunn, Anna Elazan, Emily Esman, Rebecca Fagan, Courtney Fawcett, Jenna Feistritz, Gina Fernandes, Sarah Gall, Eileen Gardner, Emily Geise, Hilary Goldberg, Elizabeth Gordon, Jessica Grivalsky, Christine Hamann, Signe Hawley, Diane Holcomb, Sarah Hopewell, Brandi Kerrigan, Julia King, Ashley Larrimore, Megan Lind, Mariana Luts, Jessica Mai, Mary Kate Martelon, Ashley McCawley, Crystal Moore, Sarah Neugroschel, Stephanie Richter, Kristen Salman, Mansi Shah, Jean Williamson, Angela Wood, Angela Wunderli, Kelly Zeh. Coach: Helen Betancourt.



They took down Georgetown and made a formidable run at the A-10 Championships. Though the GW women's crew team started their season similar to the men's crew team, as they struggled through the fall competitions, the women improved significantly in the spring. The team finished second out of 12 teams at the GW Invitational on the Potomac in the spring. The thrilling highlight of the competition was when the women's varsity eight defeated arch-rival Georgetown. The victory not only awarded the team first place in the invitational, but also the Howard Wilkins Bowl and the 1998 trophy awarded to the women's team points leader between GW and Georgetown. In the subsequent competition, the Knecht Cup, both the Varsity and Freshmen Eight teams rowed extremely well, finishing second out of eighteen teams. With plenty of confidence going into the A-10 Championships, the women continued their high-level performance with a third place finish. The end of the season Eastern Sprints featured the future of GW crew as the Novice Four made a run into the grand final for the first time in school history. The women's crew program capped their successful season by proving their stamina and consistency through their many strong performances. The women demonstrated a bright outlook for next season.

*-Devin Williams*



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## *Women's Crew*





PHOTOS COURTESY OF MEN'S TENNIS TEAM

The Men's Tennis team broke even in the 2005 season and finished with an even 10-10 overall record and a 2-4 record in the Atlantic 10 conference. At the beginning of the season, the Colonials took out their major rival, Georgetown, for the fourth year in a row, but had trouble with consistency through the rest of the season. When the men entered the A-10 Championship the Colonials were 7-9, but were determined to finish the season without a losing record. The men won three of four matches in the tournament, including a big four to three win over St. Joseph's to revenge the regular season loss, and finishing fifth overall. The Colonials placed three on the All-Conference: seniors Matt Treadgold and Jake Jopling, and freshman Mustafa Genesoy. Treadgold also earned Academic All-Conference honors and Genesoy became the third Colonial since 1992 to earn the award Most Outstanding Rookie Performer of the Year.

*-Devin Williams*

## Men's Tennis





(Alphabetically) Daniel Balke, Elliot Daniels, Gordon Daniels, Mustafa Genscoy, Jake Jopling, Daniel Raisbeck, Sam Salyer, Jason Sucoll, Will Timmons, Matt Treadgold.  
Coaches: Tom Hawkins & Allen Gray





(Alphabetically) Mara Frisch, Rachael Honig, Madhuri Jha, Sandra Simunic, Anastasia Skavronskaia, Tracey Stecko, Kendall Swenson, Leah Woodward. Coach: Dawn Buth





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Under the leadership of first-year head coach Dawn Buth, the women's tennis team finished with a 7-9 overall record and went 1-3 in the Atlantic 10 conference. At the beginning of the season, junior Anastasia Skavronskaia dominated the DC Metro Championships and took home the Flight B singles title. When the regular season began, the ladies snatched a couple of solid wins over Howard and UMBC before going into a five match losing streak in the middle of the season. Things began to turn around when the team won two of their last three matches before the A-10 Championships. They carried the momentum into the A-10 tournament and won three of their four matches to claim fifth overall. Skavronskaia and freshman Kendall Swenson led the team with undefeated singles play throughout the tournament. Skavronskaia's dominate play throughout the year earned her All-Conference honors at the season's end.

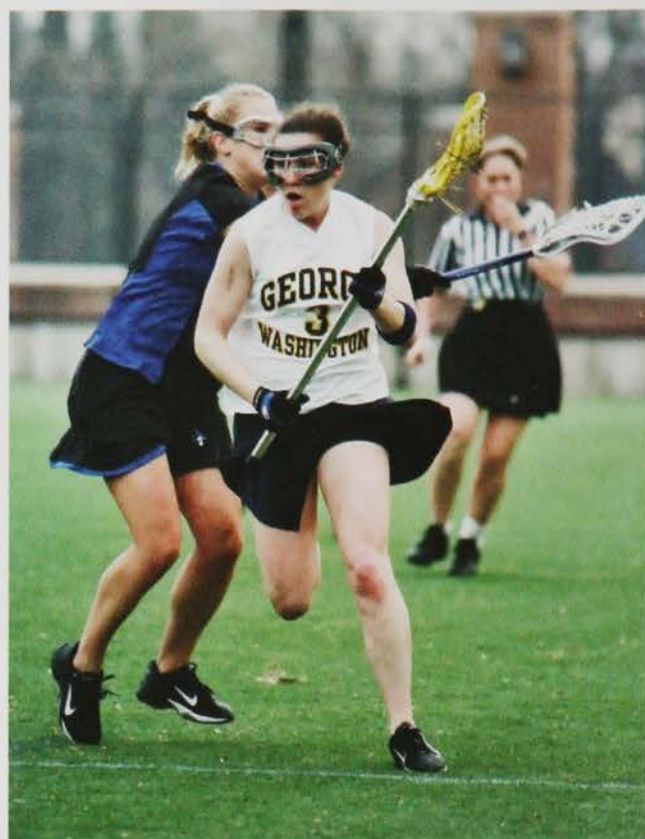
*-Devin Williams*

## *Women's Tennis*



The 2005 women's lacrosse season proved to be the most successful in the program's four year history. The team went an impressive 13-5 and 5-2 in the conference. With outstanding leadership from senior captains Jenny Heisler, Meghan McDonough, Nicole Cozzolino, and Erin Berry, the Colonials posted a 13-4 regular season record, earning a number three seed in the Atlantic 10 tournament. This was the team's first trip to the conference tournament in the team's history. In the opening round of the tournament, the Colonials met their match as the season ended with a close loss to number two seed Duquesne. Berry was chosen as the 2005 A-10 Defensive Player of the Year, sophomore Laura Hostetler earned all-conference selection for the second straight year, and Coach Chrissy Lombard was tabbed A-10 Coach of the Year. The season demonstrated much progress and showed great promise for the future of the program.

*-Devin Williams*



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## *Women's Lacrosse*



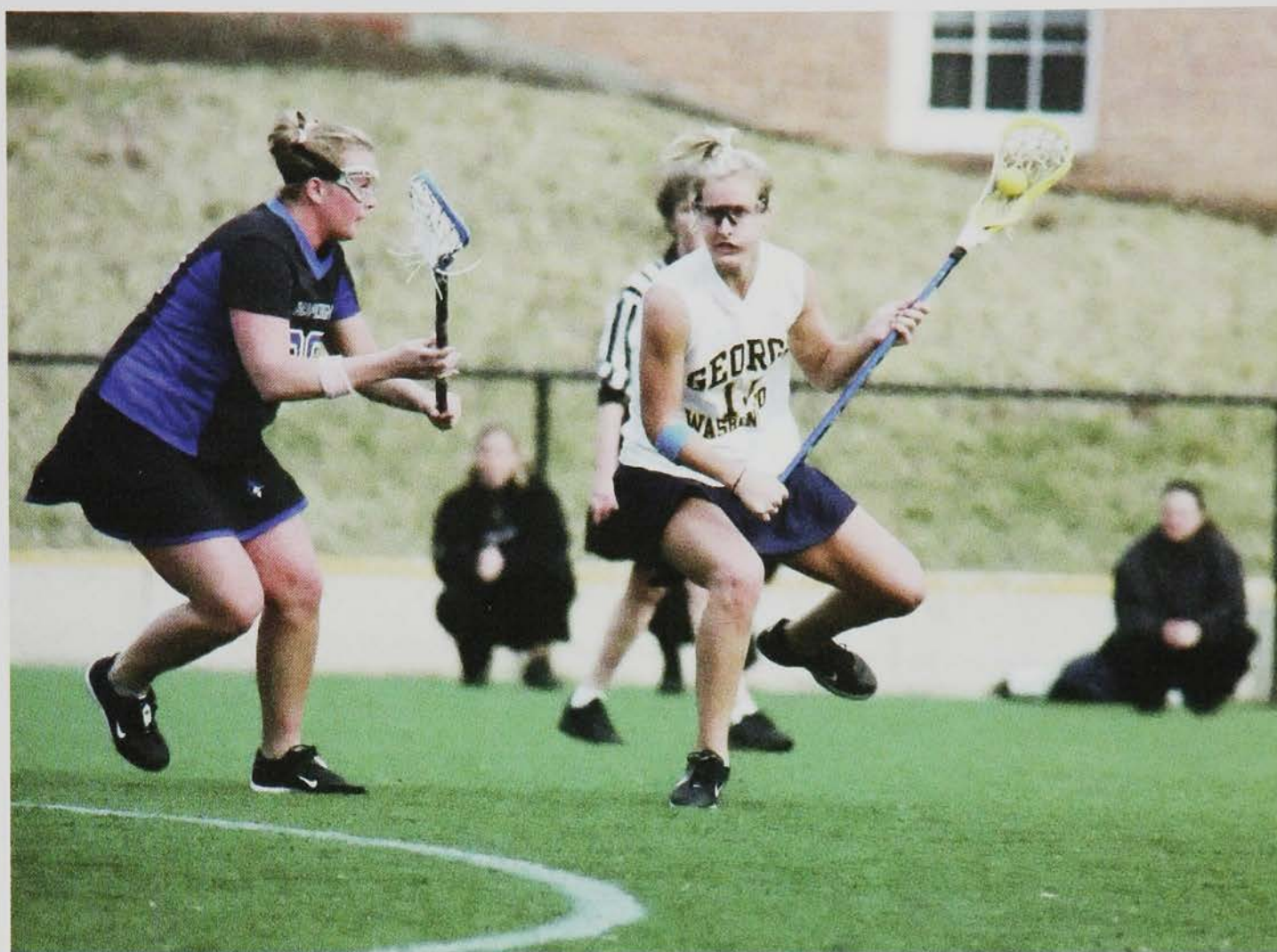


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(Alphabetically) Teddi Shihadeh, Jenny Heisler, Laura Wunk, Jamie Lee, Lia Harris, Lindsay Melvin, Meghan McDonough, Haley McDonough, Molly Gannon, Deena Vezo, Heidi Mayer, Annie Howley, Lauren Bower, Laura Hostetler, Nicole Cozzolino, Kimberly Andreola, Kristin Karesh, Colleen Schmidt, Mary Monaghan, Merdith Hotarek, Katelyn Honeyford, Erin Berry, Caitlin Garman, Emily Fortunato. Coach- Chrissy Lombard.





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# *Women's Waterpolo*





Three of the four top scorers on the women's water polo team graduated after the 2004 season. The relatively young 2005 team looked to continue the improvement of the program and qualify for another Eastern Championship. The ladies put together a respectable season with a record of 13-17 under the leadership of the two lone seniors Kendra Shanley and Taraneh Bastani. After a tough eighth place finish at the ECAC Championship, the Colonials were out to prove that they would not go quietly in the Southern Championship. They won two out of three at the Southern Championships, which earned the team a third place finish and an at-large bid to the Eastern Championship. The ladies finished in eighth place in the tournament to end their season, but they had much to be proud of with Shanley earning Southern Division All-Conference First-Team honors, sophomore Morgan Hooker earning All-Conference Second-Team honors, and ten players named to the All-Academic Team.

*-Devin Williams*



(Alphabetically) Erin Bailey, Taraneh Bastani, Jenna Burnett, Kaitlin Butler-Ricketts, Alessia Dinkeil, Faith Goss, Alexandra Gourevitch, Amy Heinemann, Morgan Hooker, Julie Jacoby, Theresa Lamontagne, Megan Look, Greta Pedraza, Soleil Roberts, Kendra Shanley, Kathryn Shehan, Rebecca Stein, Sarah Stimson, Julia Wetherell. Coach- Scott Reed





The GW Golf team had another solid season this year, proving that their dominant play from last year was no stroke of luck. The season started out a bit shaky with the team placing seventh at the Navy Invitational and then tenth at the Northern Intercollegiate before winning their second straight Rehoboth Beach Invitational with sophomore Jack Tyler placing first out of 56 golfers. After a couple more tough outings for the team, the Colonials came into their own at the William & Mary Colonial Invitational, placing fourth out of 18 teams. Strong play continued in the George Washington Invitational as the Colonials finished second out of 26 teams. They went on to achieve three first-place finishes and one second-place finish in their last four competitions before capping off the season with a second place finish at the A-10 Championship. Junior Brian Carroll was named A-10 Student-Athlete of the Year and both Carroll and Andrew Gallo were named to the Cleveland Golf All-American Scholar Team. With only two graduating seniors, the outlook for next year is promising.

*-Devin Williams*

*Golf*





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(Alphabetically) Danny Brooker, Brian Carroll, Andrew Gallo, Federico Guzman, Tim Johnson, Raman Luthra, Dan Mirabella, Brandon Muir, Ameet Patil, Bob Rohr, Alvaro Tapia, Jack Tyler.  
Coach- Scott Allen



# Live Aid for Tsunami Relief



When a tsunami ripped through Southeast Asia on December 26th killing over 200,000 people and leaving thousands more homeless, the GW student body, full of activists, decided to be proactive. Students originated and organized a variety show called "Live Aid 2005" that included performances by a wide array of student groups to raise money for the victims of the catastrophic wave. Participating groups included GW Bhangra, the Chinese Performing Arts Troupe, many of the a capella groups, and a variety of others. Funds raised from the event were donated to the American Red Cross, Habitat for Humanity, and the South Asian Society Educational Endowment Fund. Circle K, a community service group, presented a slideshow illustrating the devastation caused by the tsunami that reminded the audience of the purpose for the event and demonstrate the immense amount of help needed. Live Aid 2005 provided an opportunity for the GW community to come together and enjoy the many talents of the student body while simultaneously supporting an important cause.

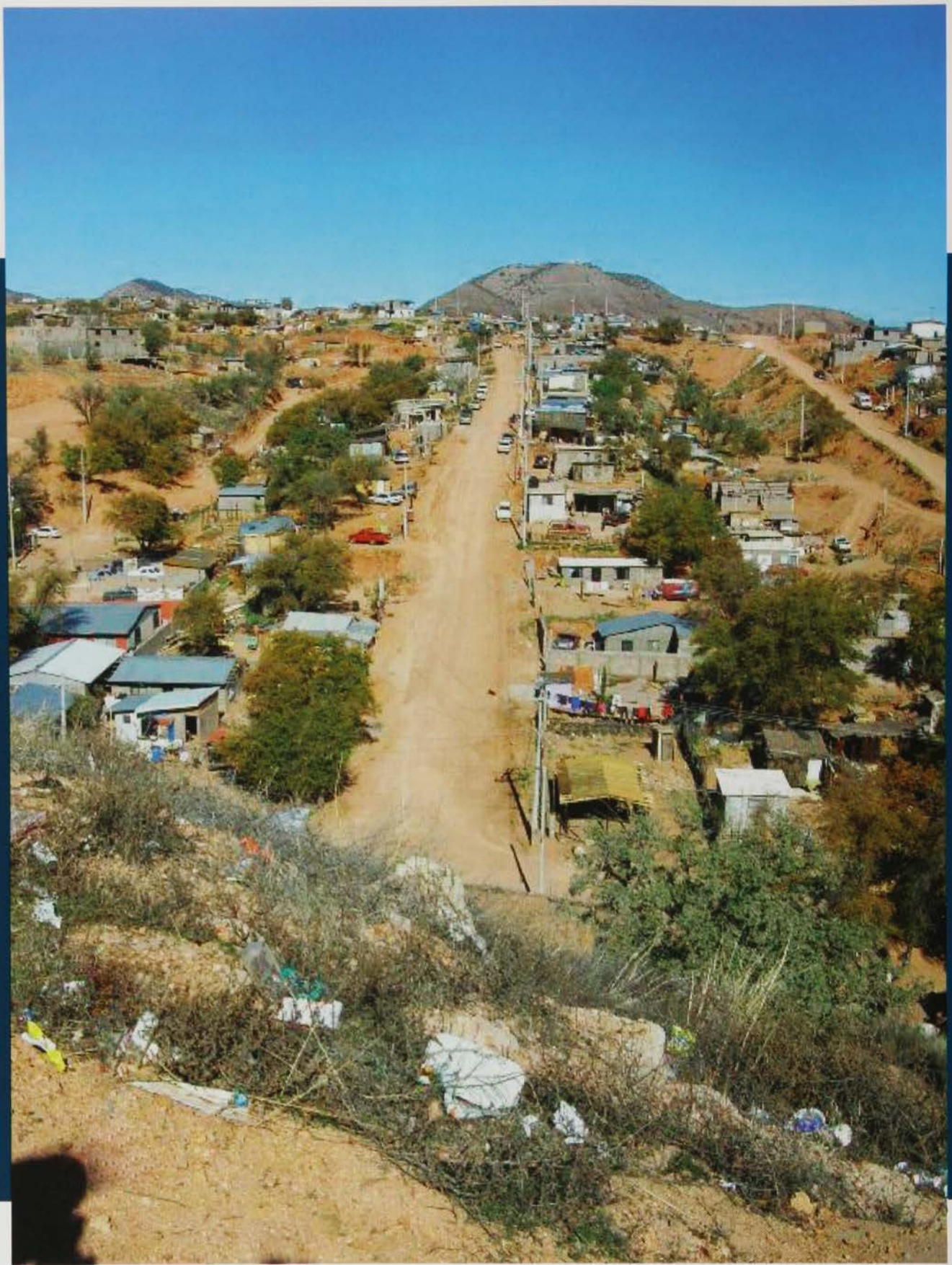
*Meghan Gibas*





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While many students hopped on the earliest flight to the tropics, some GW students chose to dedicate their spring break to community service. After many weeks of preparation, different groups of students headed off to places such as the Florida Everglades, Arkansas, South Carolina, Costa Rica, and Mexico. While forming strong bonds with other group members, the students performed various tasks ranging from building and repairing homes, tending to animals, cleaning up the environment, and distributing food and other necessities to those in need. Many of the students who participated in an Alternative Spring Break spoke of the personal impact the experience gave to them rather than the great impact they had left, though there was no doubt that both results were considerable. Although laying out on a white sandy beach was not on the itinerary, all the participants agreed that their spring break was fun—and not one they will soon forget.

—*Meghan Gibas*



# Alternative Spring Break



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# SA Elections

"Vote for me!" A cry heard all too often on campus in the past year, but just when students thought they had seen the last of the Democrats, Republicans, and, yes, even the LaRouche supporters, the Student Association election season began. From the rush of the first day of campaigning, to plastering posters wherever possible, to the inevitable dorm storming activities, this campaign seemed very similar to past elections with a few new twists. With the introduction of SA parties or "slates", the student-run Joint Election Committee (JEC) was subjected to a deluge of campaign violations in the days leading up to and following the elections as different slates brought out allegations against their fellow opponents. In the end the Coalition for Reform nearly swept the board in the undergraduate seats in almost every school, with the Students' First slate gaining their own representative. The SA presidential election had its own controversy and nail-biting, as a close race between Audai Shakour and Ben Traverse transformed into a runoff. While the JEC handled complaints from both sides, the runoff election ended up being the closest in SA history, giving Audai Shakour a victory by 31 votes! After much activity, the SA election season closed and the new SA Senate and its president prepared for a new year and new set of promises to fulfill.

-Michael Ficht



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*April*



# Cherry Blossom Festival



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With rising temperatures and sunny skies, students who have enjoyed spring at GW know that the end of the semester can be a true test of one's self discipline. When the Cherry Blossoms bloomed, students took a break from their books and joined the hundreds of thousands of tourists who came from around the world to marvel at the pink and white beauty of the Cherry Blossoms. The 2005 festival marked the 93rd anniversary of the original gift of 3,000 cherry trees from the city of Tokyo to the people of Washington, DC in 1912. The 16-day celebration offered many exiting performances, exhibits, and events that were held in honor of the relationship between the United States and Japan. The main events included a parade down Constitution Avenue, complete with floats, balloons, and marching bands. This year's festival was blessed with particularly beautiful weather from March 26 to April 10 and thousands ventured around the city, enjoying the aroma and beauty of the blossoming trees that laced the city. GW students enjoyed the national spectacle, even if it meant studying for their next math exam under the shadows of one of the exquisite trees.

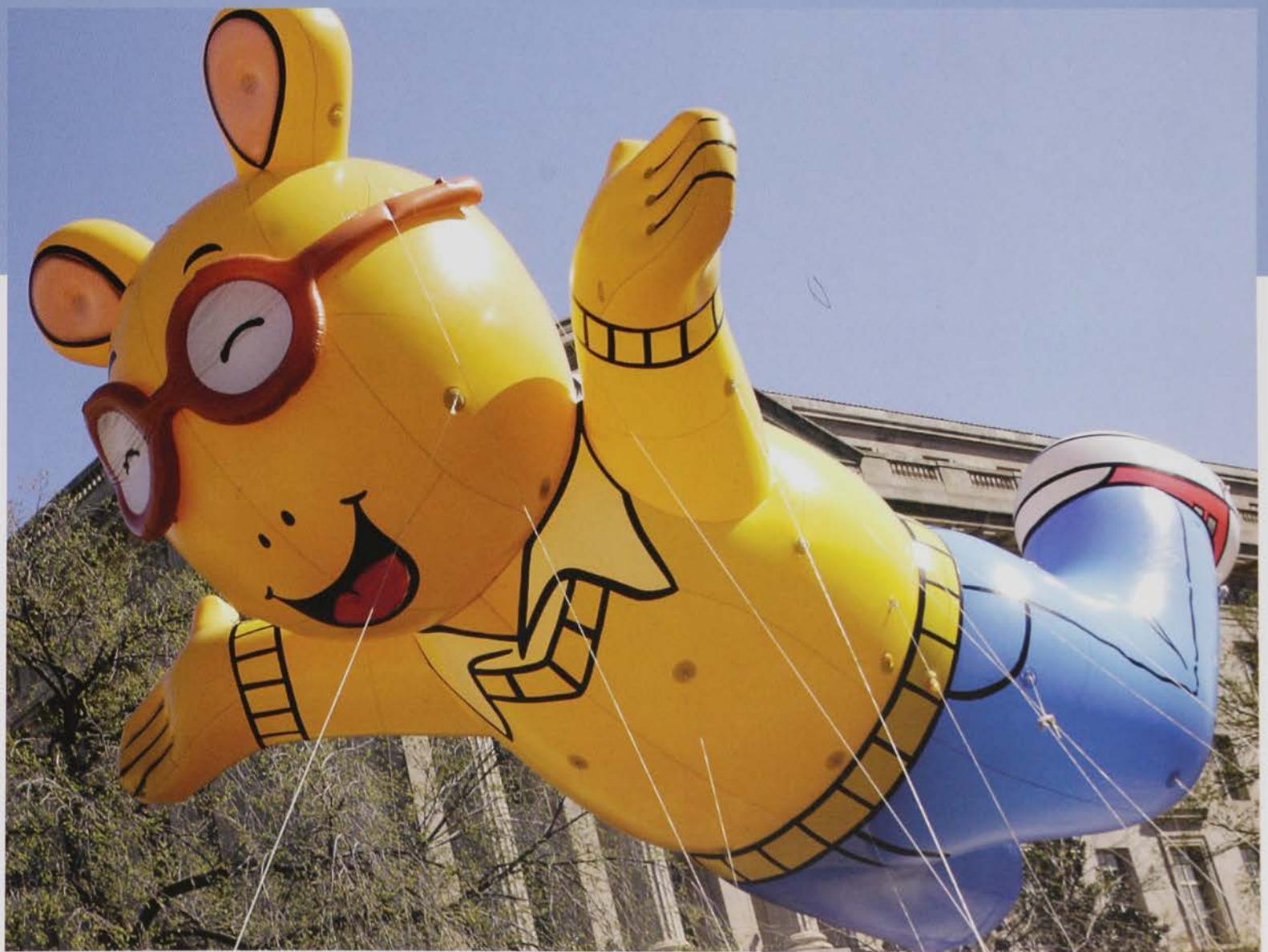
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# Spring Fling



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There was every reason to celebrate on Saturday, April 9th, with the sun shining high, crystal blue skies, and temperatures in the high 70's; spring filled the air. Thousands of GW students gathered in University Yard for the outdoor musical acts, performances, and free food. Students also chose from a wide array of activities, such as experiencing the thrilling rush of sky diving in a sky diving simulator or the more relaxing route of a free massage. A unique addition was the oxygen bar where students inhaled aromatic oxygen that created an uplifting, invigorating and therapeutic session. Throughout the day, students enjoyed a wide variety of musical acts ranging from GW bands, Moneyshot and The Sunday Mail, to the eclectic style of Virginia Coalition. The day was capped off with rapper Lloyd Banks, a member of Fifty Cent's G-Unit. By the end of the beautiful day many GW students left with symptoms of spring fever.

-Meghan Gibas



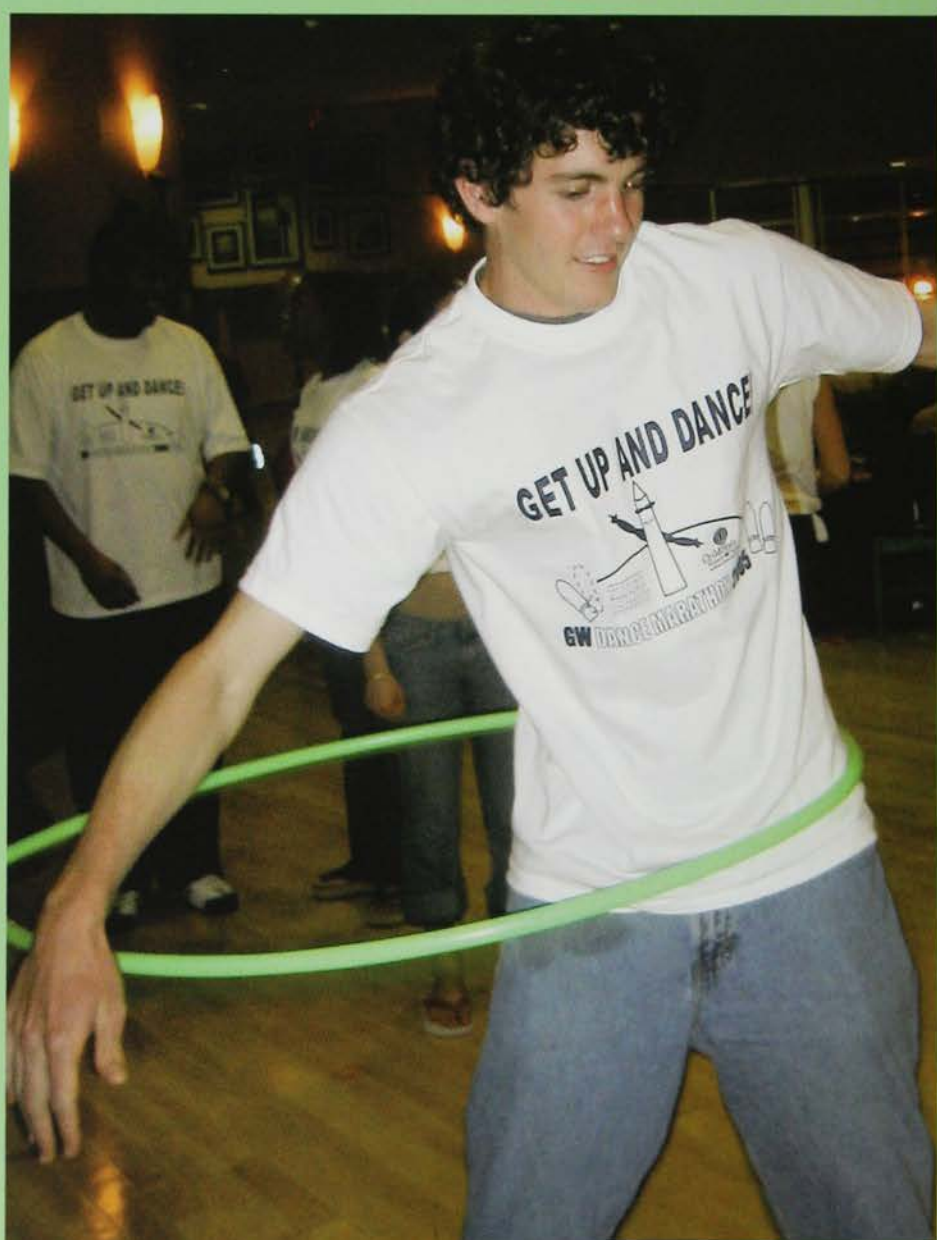




# Dance Marathon



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In general, the term "marathon" conjures images of exhausted individuals struggling to cross a finish line—but what about *dancing* across a finish line? Participants in the 2005 GW Dance Marathon did exactly that. Held in the Marvin Center Columbian Square on April 2nd, this year's dance marathon went on for twelve hours as students attempted to be the last dancers on the floor. Led by Carolyn Kendzia, the event organization involved a number of committees and dedicated individuals. Participants raised money for each hour that they remained dancing. This annual event was started in 1971 at Penn State to benefit a network of schools known as the Children's Miracle Network Hospitals. The event began as a method to fundraise for children's hospitals that provided necessary medical attention to children, regardless of their family's financial situation. It has continued to be a success both nationwide and at GW. This year marked the fifth annual GW marathon and contributed to the. In the end, the dance marathon allowed students to show-off their moves and helped to guarantee that children from all over the DC area have a place to receive help when they need it most.

—Michael Ficht



# *DC Night Life*



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After a long week of classes, students looked forward to relaxing on the weekends, especially in the atypical college town of Washington, DC. The nightlife of DC consisted of a myriad of restaurants, bars, theatres, and music venues for friends to get together. Popular hot spots on campus, like The Exchange and McFadden's, filled up quickly, though many students chose to venture off campus and explore the nightlife of different DC neighborhoods. Dupont Circle, Adams Morgan, and Georgetown were some of the most popular off-campus choices. The campus and the city frequently hosted unique events, such as free movie screenings, cultural events, dramatic performances, art expositions, poetry slams, music festivals, and outdoor concerts. When the weather was warm, many students joined DC residents along the outdoor venues lining the Potomac riverfront to enjoy fresh seafood and fresh air. The vibrant nightlife of the city augmented GW campus life and gave students a number of options to enjoy.

—Caillin B. Deherty





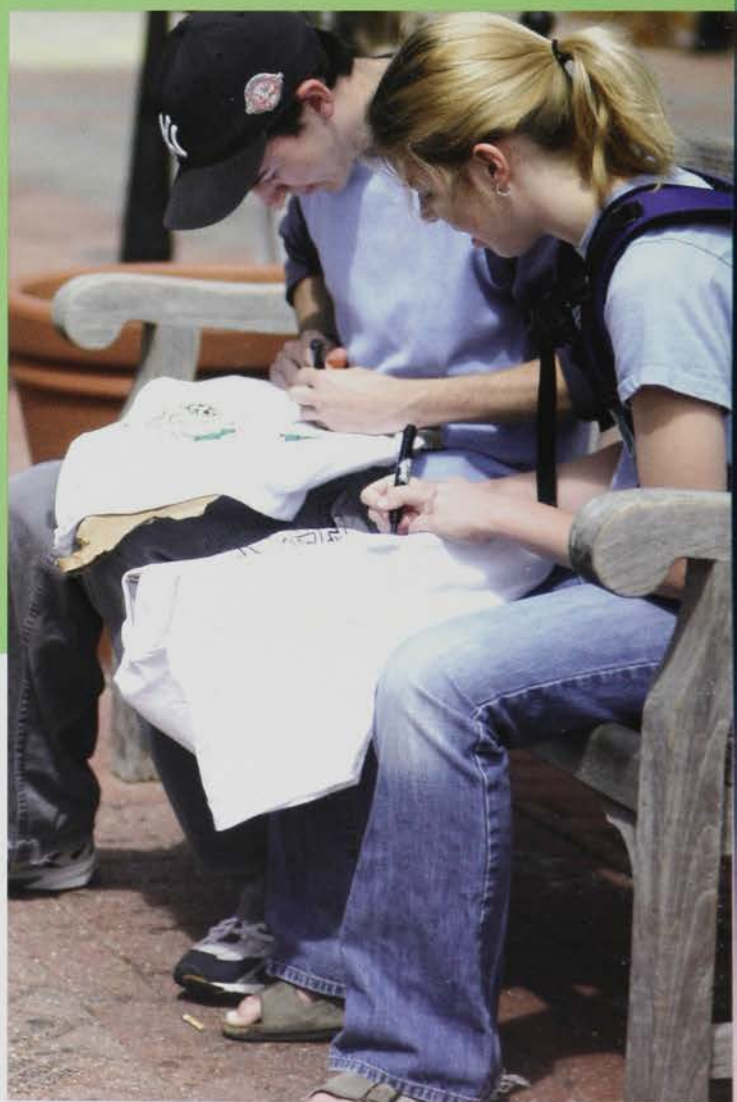
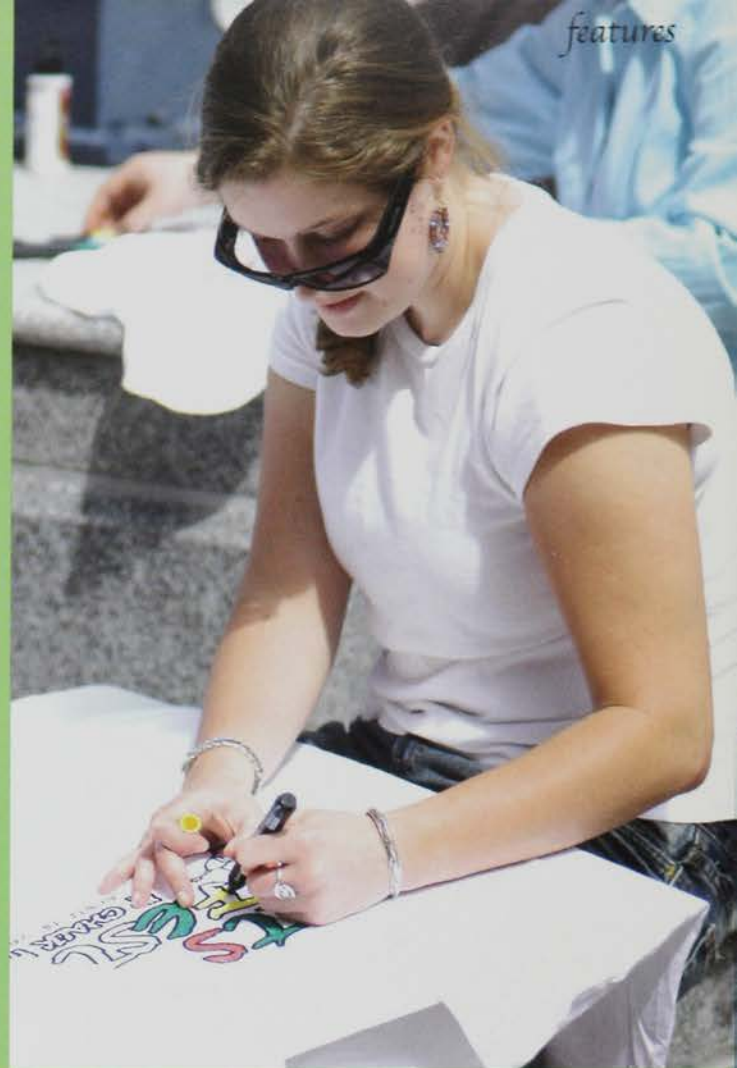
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# Chalk - In

The University Counseling Center began the tradition of Chalk-In as a constructive medium for stress relief. This year marked the 25th annual Chalk-In, which began in April 1981. For one day every year in the spring, the University closes a section of H Street to traffic and allows students to draw and design sidewalk art using chalk. In accordance with the tradition, this year the event took place on Thursday April 14, 2005. Students' artwork ranged from the purely aesthetic to advertising events and to passionate political messages. This year was no exception, as many people came out to enjoy the sunny day and to express themselves through art in various ways. With the War in Iraq still boldly in the headlines, students represented their views with statements like "make love, not war" while others wrote out patriotic sayings such as "God bless America." Other relevant political causes included the continued conflict in Darfur, Sudan, as student chalked messages such as "Save Darfur." Regardless of the message, the event allowed a safe space for students to express themselves artistically and enjoy a little sunshine.

-Caitlin B. Doherty







# Ana Diego



Ana Diego graduated in December 2005 and majored in Fine Arts with a concentration in Visual Communications and a minor in Art History. Ana is a dual citizen of Spain and America. After finishing her last semester she moved to Salamanca, Spain. She loves illustrations, working with Illustrator drawing, ceramics, and film.







# Tiffany Karam



*Tiffany Karam, a senior majoring in Fine Arts, concentrated in Graphic Design. She transferred to GW two years ago from the American University of Beirut. Born in Plano, Texas to a Lebanese father and an American mother, she moved to Saudi Arabia for a year then lived in Beirut for 19 years until she came to GW. Tiffany graduated in May 2005, and then moved back to Beirut to work in her family's business.*







# Michelle Leung

## Moonlight Designs

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Apt #307  
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*Michelle Leung was born in Singapore, but raised in the United States, primarily in central New Jersey. Part of the class of 2005, Michelle pursued a Bachelor of Arts in Visual Communication and minors in Art History and Psychology. While at the university, Michelle was president of Alpha Phi Omega, a national co-ed community service fraternity. After graduation, she plans to return back to New Jersey and enter the professional world in the New York metro area.*







Lori Krebstein



After a long, tiring search for a major, Lori stumbled upon the Visual Communications department at GW and instantly knew it was meant for her. Since then, she has taken numerous graphic design classes such as Typography, Vis Com, & Digital Imaging, as well as two independent studies. Lori was also fortunate enough to further her studies at Griffith University's Queensland College of Art, located in Brisbane, Australia in the Spring of 2004. Lori is excited to apply what she has learned to a career in the "real world." She would like to thank Bob Coleman for imparting his knowledge on her, and helping her become the artist she is today.

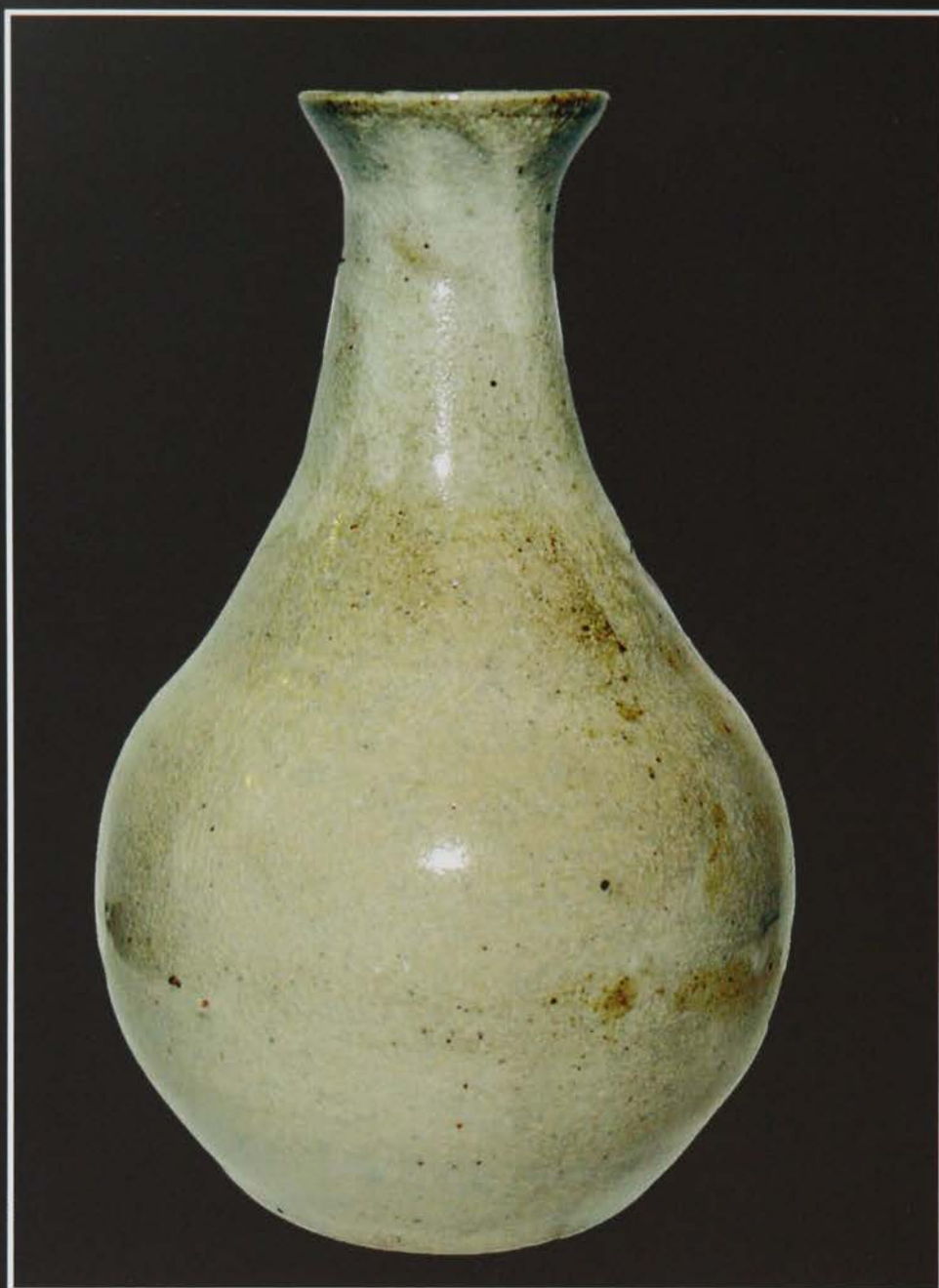


*"The Dreaming Tree"*  
Dave Matthews Band

"The Dreaming Tree"  
Dave Matthews Band



# Erin O'Donnell



Erin is the Senior Design Editor of this yearbook. Since this entire book is an example of her design work she wanted to portray her other types of artistic talent. As a senior, Erin discovered her love of ceramics and silkscreen print-making, two very traditional artistic techniques and quite different to the world she knows of graphic design. She perfected her ceramics skills in a basic class where she made these pieces. She studied Visual Communications in the Fine Arts Department and will be spending the year after graduation as a consultant for her sorority, which will give her the opportunity to travel the country.



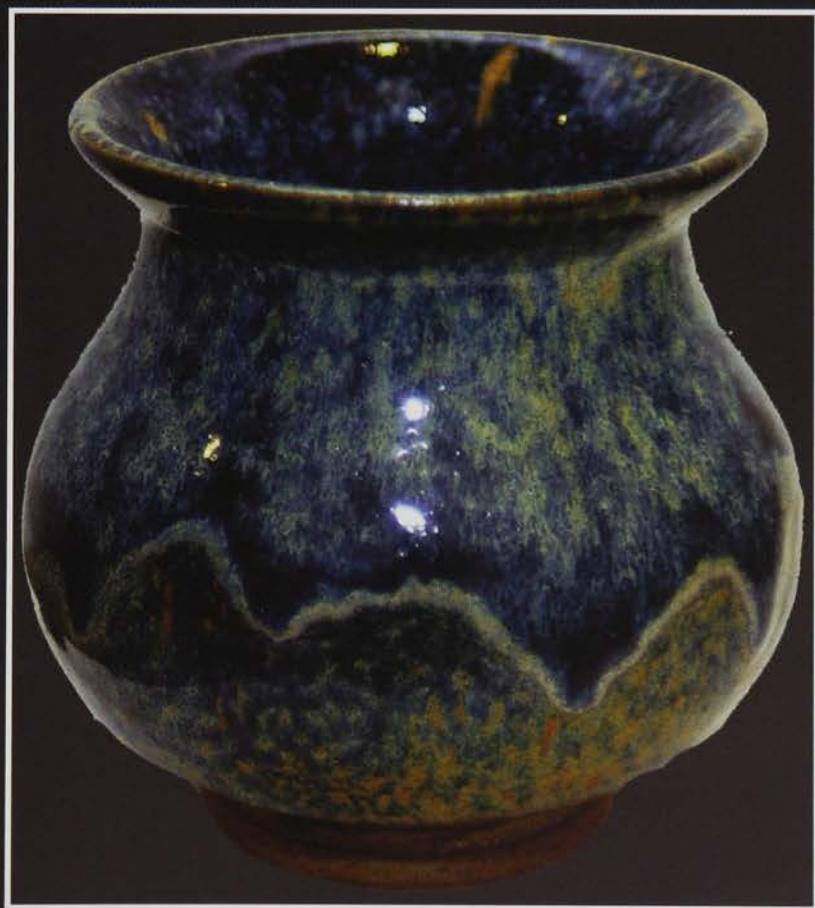
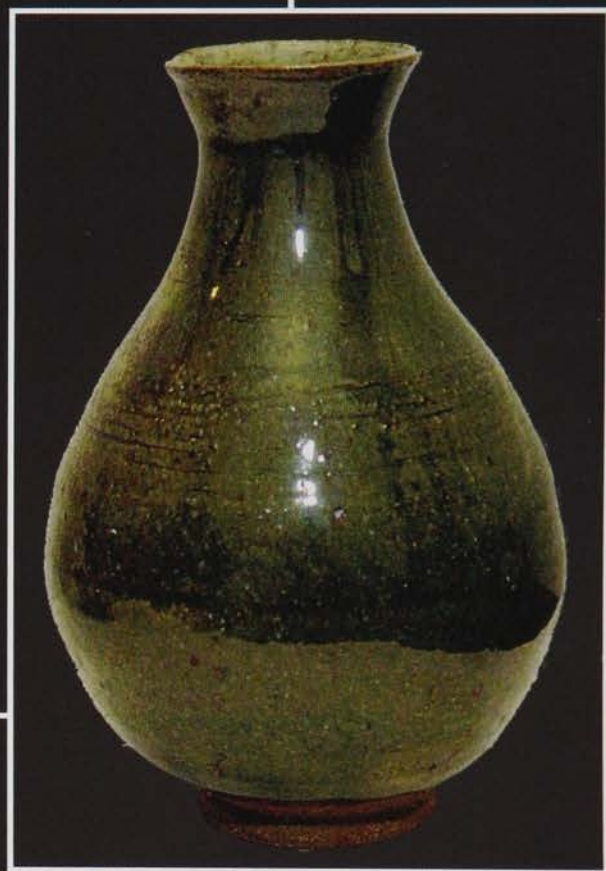
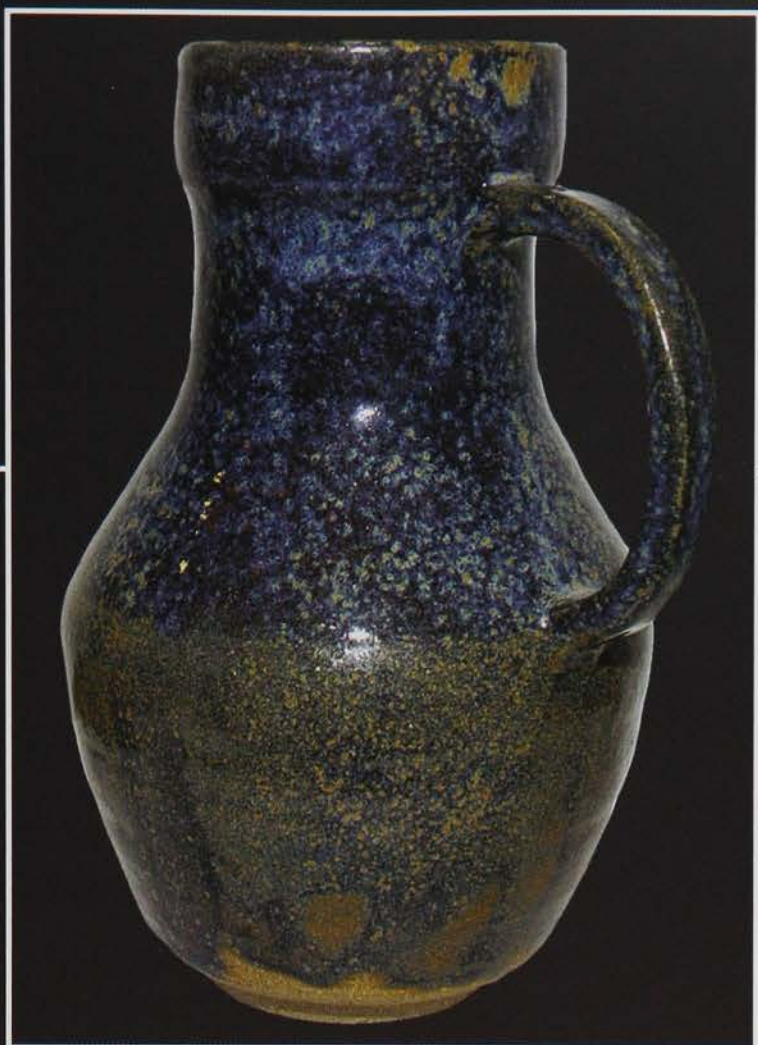






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## 14th Grade Players

With over 200 members and seven productions throughout the year, 14th Grade Players is largest performance organization on campus. Under the leadership of Marc Abanto, Ashley Caja, Kateland Goldsborough, Bethany Remely, Paula VanLaningham, Mike Zeeck and Betsy Gottesman, the group brought famous works, like *The Importance of Being Earnest* and *Proof*, to the Lisner Downstage. Always striving to diversify their body of work, the Players put on *Working*, the group's first musical endeavor since their establishment in 2001.

## Generic Theatre Productions

Generic is the oldest student-run production company on campus. In addition to popular annual events like a 24-hour play and a "miscast musical," where actors play their opposites, the group produces three full-length shows each semester. This year, Janet Bowler, Laura Feder, Mara Steinberg, and Hannah Weiner guided the group's student actors and directors through productions that spanned Albee's *The Goat or Who is Sylvia?* and Gersten's *My Thing of Love*.



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## Recess

### *A Co-ed Improv Troupe*

Karin Hammerberg, Emily Axford, Jeff Frost, Ben Rosenberg, Jesse Baltes, Chris Singel, and Nick Grinsted





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## Sons of Pitch

*An All-Male A Cappella Group*

Joe Dietrich, Chris Dwight, Jacky Fung, Ryan Geist, Aaron Gunning, Alex Hecht, Andy Lentz, Evan Shyer, Scott Sobelman, Jeff Stern, Dan Tannebaum, and John Woelflein

## GW Troubadours

*A Co-ed A Cappella Group*

Anna Ulrich, Jeff Malinowski, Evan Shyer, Jeff Stern, Kate Seltzer, Allison Dougherty, Holly McClarty, Aaron Gunning, Mallory Howard, Matt Corica, Michaela Grillo, Joe Dietrich, Rachel Hirsch, Zack Colonna, Kaitlyn Marchesano, and Kevin Hostetler



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## The Sirens

*An All-female A Cappella Group*

Mariel Belanger, Jessica Catz, Bethany Flom, Liana Galardi, Lauren-Joy Goss, Angela Hanks, Caitlin Holland, Sara Kane, Annie Mallan, Emily Adeline Mallozzi, Jennifer O'Brien, Jillian Thomas, and Leslie Vaeth





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## Emocappella

Lee Seligmann, Brian Becker, Matt Lockeed, Artemy Kalinovsky, Mike Menelli, Zach Borichevsky, Mike St. Julien, Elliot Gillerman, Kevin Miller, Mac Clevenger, Rajiv Chakravarthy, Teddy Schwartz, and Ryan Connelly

## GW Vibes

Erica Taylor, Allan Mackiewicz, Liz Castelli, Mike Guarino, Timothy Ziese, Adette Contreras, Chris Matthews, Brad Gallant, Judah Dadone, Russ Solow, Steve Kass, Mary Beth Doran, Amy Rizzotto, and Cami Drummond



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## The Pitches

Arin Liberman, Kelly Moughty, Caroline Hough, Arwen Sheridan, Katie Holeman, Karla Sirianni, Lauren McGovern, Lindsey Pohlman, Lauren Silva, Nicole Fox, Leigh DeCotiis, Jamie Konigsberg, and Sarah Myers



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## Buzzing For Change

Judah Ferst, Josh Rudawitz, Karleen Krenicky, Sarah Greenwood, Stacy Janks, Becca Schwartz, Chrissy Caggiano, and Bert Garcia

## ALFSEC

Andrew Martin (Local Committee President), Alison Dressler (Vice President of Corporate Sales and Services), Rachel Hampton (Vice President of Outgoing Exchange), Richard Brower (Vice President of External Relations), and Aditya Dash (Vice President of Finance)



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## International Affairs Society

Maria Alejandra Pelaez, Jesse Baker, Katie Garry, Elizabeth Drobnick, James Hodgkins, Rebecca Puckett, Jenny Hebets, Angela Chang, Owen Sanderson, Adam Solove, Paul Hrebenak, David Lin, Steve Morel, Liz Leavy, and Cassandra Waite



# Greek Philanthropy



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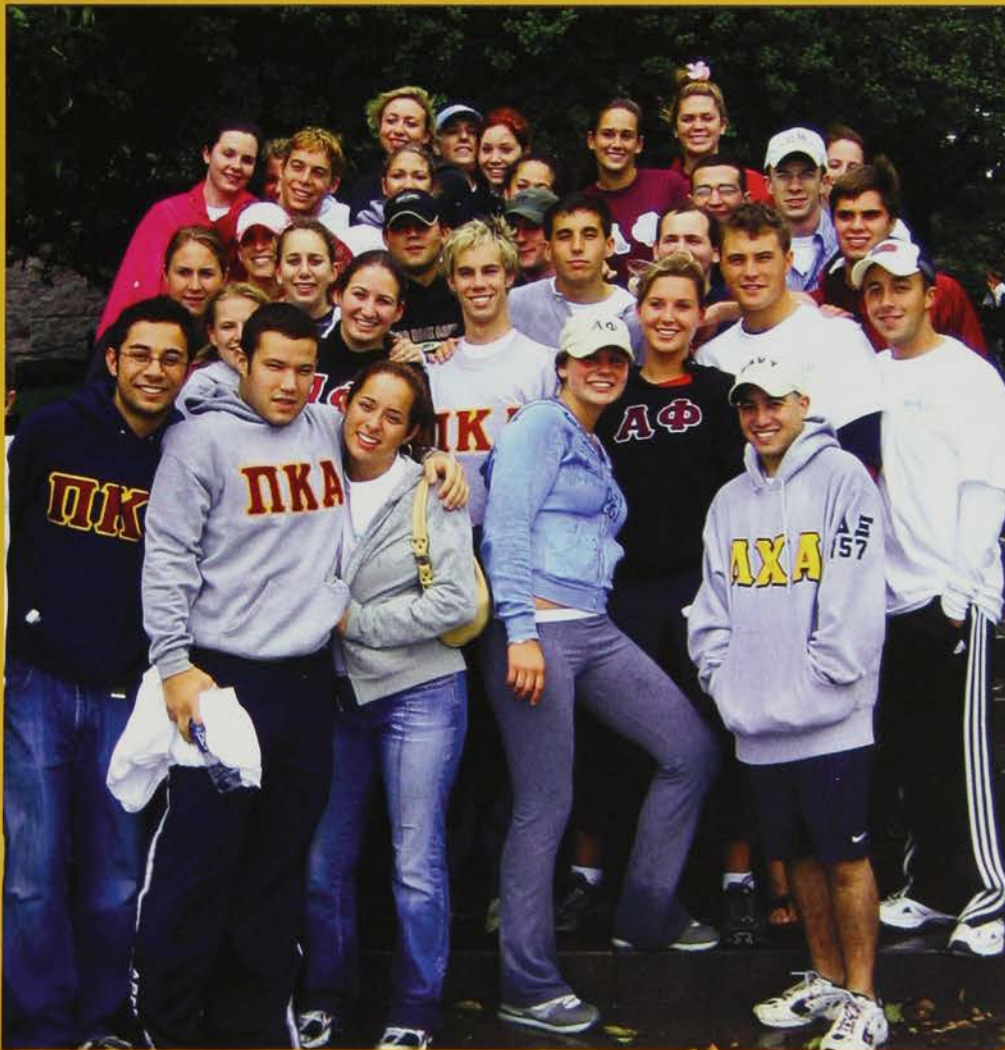
An integral part of Greek organizations at GW are their respective philanthropies. While community service built a sense of purpose and mutual responsibility among the young men and women in the Greek community, it also provided a way to have fun. This year, GW Greeks raised over \$20,000 for charitable causes through events sponsored by individual chapters and their governing organizations: the Panhellenic Association, the Inter-Fraternity Council, and the Multicultural Greek Council. From a fashion show that raised money for breast cancer prevention to a "dating game" that raised money for cardiac care, the Greeks were always creative in their plans. Members of fraternities and sororities also participated in activities on a regular basis that directly aided others, as they were often seen sporting letters at various charitable walks, drives, and events. Chapter members could be found throughout the year volunteering at homeless shelters, tutoring young children, and restoring playgrounds. The Greeks's reputation for fun may only be surpassed by their service to the community at large.

-Katie Considine





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# spring





# *s n a p s h o t s*





## "One Heart, One Way"

Sigma Kappa had an exciting and busy year on campus. The ladies won Greek Week and tied for first place in the intramural sorority competition. Sigma Kappa also followed a busy social schedule, hosting numerous crush parties and mixers, a semi-formal cruise on the Potomac, and culminated the successful year with a beautiful formal at the Marriot Hotel in Woodley Park. The chapter continued its work with its philanthropic foundations: Alzheimer's and Gerontology, the Maine Seacoast Mission, and Inherit the Earth. The sisters hosted their annual Senior Citizens Prom with the brothers of Kappa Sigma in April and participated in the Memory

Walk, a fundraising event for Alzhiemers research. Also in April, the chapter hosted its annual Scholarship Banquet, honoring not only the sisters who achieved Dean's List status, but also the exceptional professors and administrators who were nominated by the sisters. While the ladies kept busy balancing scholarship, philanthropy, and social obligations, their priority was always to each other. Their strong sisterhood evolved from their sense of fun, whether it was spontaneous dance parties in the house or visiting art museums, the ladies forged long-lasting friendships.

*-Katey Collora*

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# Sigma Kappa





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# Pi Kappa Alpha

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Following its tradition of service and leadership, this spring, Pi Kappa Alpha debuted its first philanthropy event since the fraternity colonized at GW two years ago. "The Firemen's Challenge" was held in April on University Yard, and brought together seven sororities who competed in a variety of challenges related to firefighting. With cooperation and equipment from Foggy Bottom's Engine 23, games included a tug-of-war and fire hose target practice. Proceeds from the event benefited the DC Firefighter's Burn Foundation, and local DC firefighters helped run and support the event. The Pi Kappa Alpha brothers remained very active in other aspects of Greek life throughout the year, including their victory in November's Greek Week. From a paintball retreat in West Virginia to an overnight formal in Virginia Beach, the members of the brotherhood sponsored programming that fostered a sense of community within their own organization as well.



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-Katie Considine

"Once a Pike, Always a Pike"











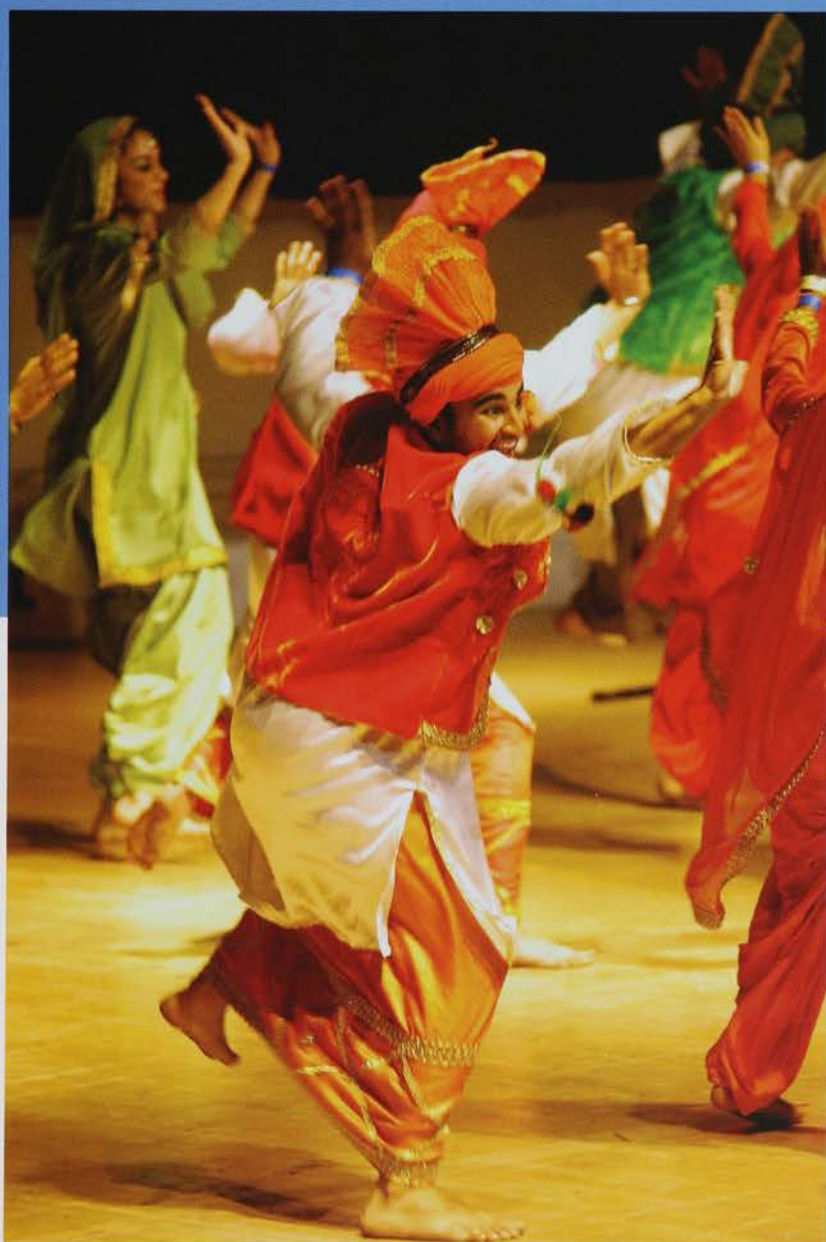
# Bhangra Blowout



Vibrant colors and lively choreography are characteristic of Bhangra dance, an performance artform that originated in the northern region of India and has gained tremendous popularity in the United States. This year, GW's South Asian Society hosted the 12th annual Bhangra Blowout, where Bhangra dance teams from across the nation came to compete. The event not only included the annual Bhangra dance competition, but also a semi-formal dinner and block party to celebrate South Asian culture. Due to sell-out crowds the competition took place off-campus at D.A.R. Constitution Hall. In previous years, GW has been quite successful in the competition, placing second in 2003 and 2004; however, the team chose not to compete this year in order to facilitate a fair competition. Though the GW Bhangra team did not compete for placement, they still performed. The 2005 competition attracted nine schools and thousands of supporters for a weekend in April. Bhangra Blowout reflected the diversity the GW student body as it introduced a culturally-unique form of dance to campus.

*-Michael Ficht*





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*May*



*Bob Chernak*

*senior vice president*





# Dr. Chernak Reflects on the Year

## The Election, the Red Sox, & GW Bball

CT: "What was your reaction to the amount of activity on campus during the 2004 election? Any differences from years past?"

Chernak: "Oh my gosh. It's a *typical* election year at GW. This is my twenty-seventh year at GW—so the first one would have been 1980—that would make this my seventh national election. The activity is pretty normal as far as GW is concerned the end result is becoming a little bit more routine recently in that the republicans seem to be prevailing for the white house, in my earlier days it was president clinton and the democrats that i guess has been a change in terms of the after election activity. GW students have traditionally been politically activite- I think it comes with the territory in terms of those who tend to be drawn to a school like GW in the nation's capitol so it wouldn't be something that would come as a suprise."

CT: "Do you see the next four years under Bush pointing the country in a drastically different direction than under Kerry?"

Chernak: "Yeah, I think clearly on the internationally front the direction that we've taken relative to Iraq would have been a lot different. I don't know if [Kerry] would have sustained the current administrations posture relative to our military engagement in Iraq, so yes, I believe in that sense I think its obvious that if a democrat were in the white house there would be a difference in approach. On the other hand, you still would have had a republican controlled congress, in all likelihood, and so some of the other domestic issues—social security, health care, supreme court—they all would have been controversial. I dont think in terms of the right to life issue we would not have had the same posturing as we have with Bush obviously. But I mean, those are things that happen in the course of instituting democracy. There are going to be individuals and parties in power that at least at that stage of the game must admit to at least a consensus of those states that control the electoral college—we know that sometimes the outcome of the popular voting can be different, as in Bush's first election."

CT: "As a notorious Boston diehard, what were your reactions throughout the playoffs, and of course in the final moment?"

Chernak: "Well the final moment was "FINALLY"! I got to see something that my parents didn't get to see. I think for a long suffering bunch of Boston Red Sox fans, you almost don't care again if they EVER win the World Series. It was like once could almost be enough because I don't know that anything could top it because if you've waited all those years, and even in my lifetime—I was born in 1946—so i don't actually remember it, but the Red Sox were in the World Series in 1946 and they lost in seven games to the St. Louis Cardinals. Since then, during the lifetime that I remember, they made the World Series in 1967—they lost in seven games, they made the World Series again in 1975 and they lost in seven games against the Cincinatti Reds. They made the World Series again in 1986 and they lost to the NY Mets in seven games. The thing that really was special is when they were three games to zero down to the Yankees in the American League Championship series and they came back from a 3-0 deficiet—and no team in baseball has *ever* done that—and won that series four games to three. You *almost* didn't even care about the World Series for a little while because that was alright—the Yankees were enough, but then when they really had a chance to actually win the World Series—that was special."

CT: "Any general reflections on the men and women's basketball seasons? Do you have a favorite game or moment?"

"It was a good year for both the men and women's teams. I think it was also a good year in continuing to build spirit and community at GW. I think that particularly at the men's games—a lot of the games were jam-pakced and sold out. There was a buzz on campus. People had a renewed sense of pride in the affiliation with their school even though it was a transferent from the basketball's success, but I think those things are important. The two games that really set the tone for the season were the wins against Michigan State and Maryland in the BB&T Classic and I think that kind of fit some early expectations as to what the potential success of the team would be this year. As far as the women are concerned I think that actually the Mississippi game in the tournament was one of the key games because we didn't get into the women's NCAA tournament as an automatic qualifier. They were an at-large selection and that's not easy from the Atlantic 10 in women's basketball—to become an at-large selection—but i think that we demonstrated that we belonged and we beat a pretty good team from one of the strongest conferences in the country. I think that set the tone for the women's team for next season and next year could be an even better season."



# *Stephen Joel Trachtenberg*

*university president*





# SJT's Infamous Tales

## The Cherry Tree gets the inside scoop

From his distinct Brooklyn accent to his penchant for hippos, year after year, GW students are introduced to the personality that is GW University President Stephen Joel Trachtenberg. For most, it begins at Colonial Inauguration. Trachtenberg takes the stage in an auditorium filled with budding Colonials where his inimitable character begins to unfold. He has an anecdote for everything, anything, and probably even an anecdote for nothing. Ask him a question during his office hours and he'll launch into a good five-minute analogy to prove his point, but also, more importantly, to entertain and educate his audience. In his annual interview, The Cherry Tree attempted to feature Trachtenberg's unique style of communication.

**CT:** "Many equate your approach to GW as businesslike, do you tend to agree or disagree?"

**SJT:** "Business people are generally thought of as people who are trying to make a profit. My wife took a class at the Harvard business school when we were in graduate school and the professor asked a very interesting question, he asked: What is the purpose of a brewery? And the answer is?"

**CT:** "...to make beer?"

**SJT:** "Ah, that is exactly the answer that my wife gave and he said: 'Ms. Zorn, no, no, the purpose of a brewery is to make money. The reason they make beer is so that they can sell it to make money. The beer is incidental. If they stopped making money, than they would stop making beer.' Ok, that is not true at a university. We're not here to make money. We spend every penny we can on providing scholarships, paying faculty, building academic facilities, building residence halls, adding to the library, adding computers. It's all about the services—and that is what distinguishes us from most businesses."

**CT:** "Have you always known that you wanted to be a University President?"

"No—not a chance! When I was in college, I was always hoping that I'd be able to make it out of college, that I'd find a job, and that my complexion would clear up. My goals were small! It was all fate."

**CT:** "The hard-hitting question that GW students are dying to know: What is your drink of choice?"

**SJT:** "Some time ago I appeared in a Dewars Scotch advertisement. I was Associate Dean at Boston University and Dewars was running a series of advertisements in which they had these 'virtual résumés' and they had a picture of me and then under that was a little [biographical] text; the bottom line was "Scotch: Dewars." So for many years, I felt almost obliged to say Dewars. I still like Scotch and soda from time to time, but I'm finding increasingly that I like vodka and I've discovered some very nice vodkas. Although, I know, that all vodkas are actually the same unless they have put some spices or something like that, and so it is an act of absurdity to buy an expensive vodka. In fact, it is particularly foolish if you are going to mix it with anything, [sic] but increasingly I find that I'm buying high-brand vodkas, but drinking it neat—and I don't mind a cheap shot of José Cuervo once in a while."

Whether it be a one-on-one conversation or one of his many speaking events, Trachtenberg has a seemingly innate ability to target his audience with an improvisational and fitting anecdote. When asked how he honed his talent Trachtenberg responded: "They seem spontaneous when I say them, but—of course—I've thought them through. You live your life—think about it—everybody's got stories. The trick is trying to figure out ways to turn them into models, so they have some utility beyond being personal gossip. Most of them are true. I tweak them here and there to make them more entertaining."

### DEWAR'S PROFILES

(Pronounced Do-ers "White Label")



#### STEVE TRACHTENBERG

HOME: Boston, Massachusetts  
 AGE: 32  
 PROFESSION: Associate Dean (Boston University), Professor, Lawyer  
 HOBBIES: Politics, Bicycling, Writing concerned Letters to the Editor, W. C. Fields movies  
 LAST BOOK READ: "Let Them Eat Premises: The Politics of Hunger in America."  
 LAST ACCOMPLISHMENT: Collaboration in editing the book "Higher Learning and The Rule of Law."  
 QUOTE: "If the university is to retain its value as an institution, it must find imaginative but practical ways to deal with this country's troubles. Society wants the university to help solve problems, not just go 'tsk, tsk.'"  
 PROFILE: Inventive, Resourceful, Articulate, But a pragmatist also, who understands the need for constructive as well as critical ideas.  
 SCOTCH: Dewar's "White Label"



**Authentic.** There are more than a thousand ways to blend whiskies in Scotland, but few are authentic enough for Dewar's "White Label." The quality standards we set down in 1846 have never varied. Into each drop goes only the finest whiskies from the Highlands, the Lowlands, the Hebrides.

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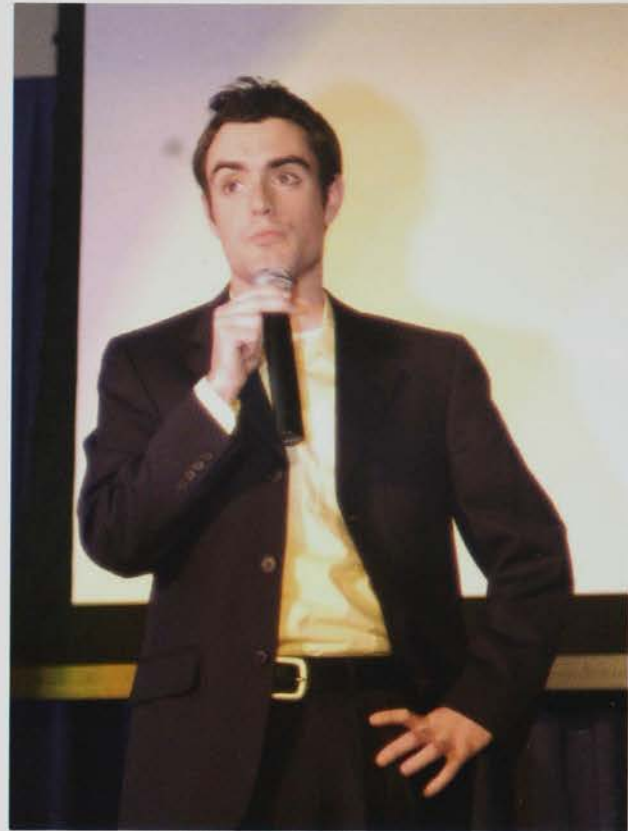
# Excellence in Student Life Awards



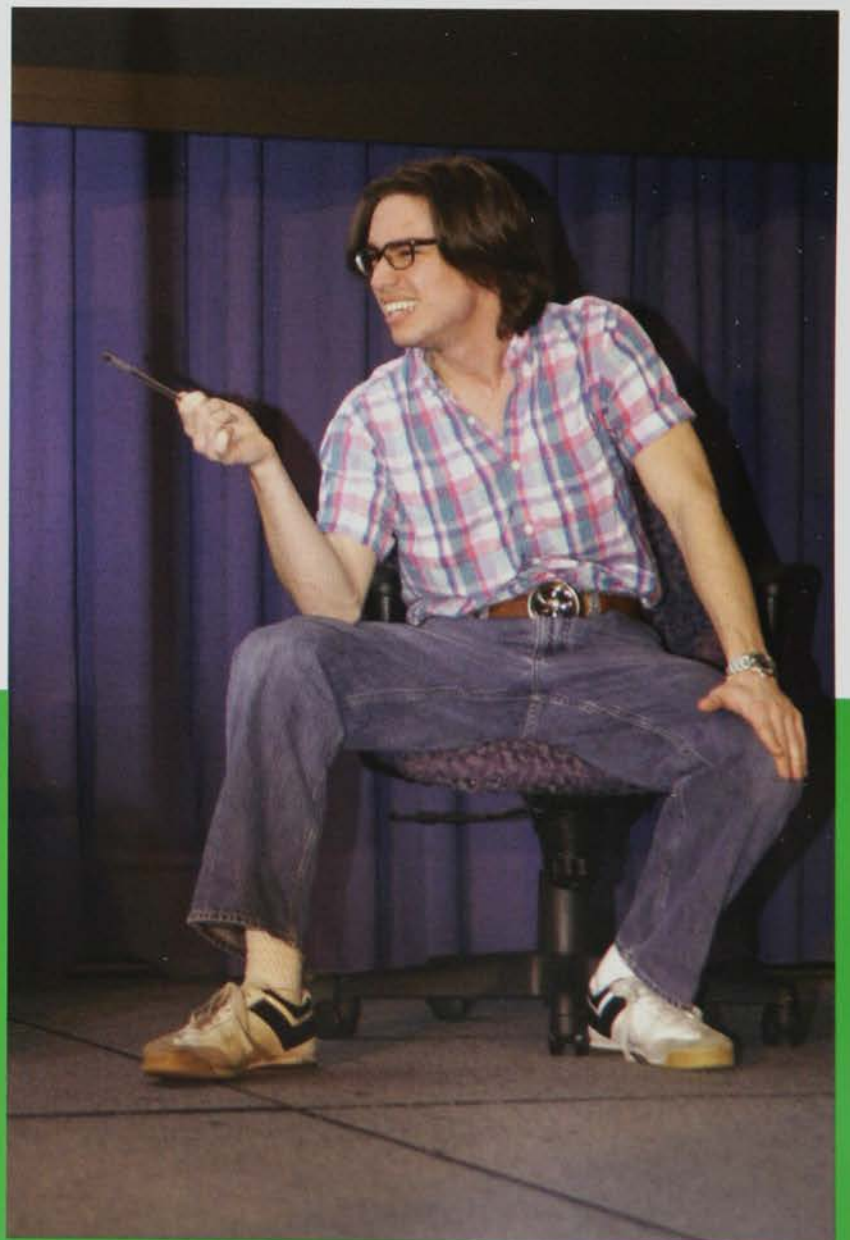
With a myriad of organizations and activities contributing to the vitality of student life at GW, the annual Excellence in Student Life Awards made a valiant attempt to recognize the people whose contributions go above and beyond. In April, a number of individuals and student organizations were recognized for their outstanding achievements in the past year on a number of different fronts in award categories ranging from the Baer Award for Individual Excellence to Outstanding Community Service Project; there were nine categories in which students or organizations won awards. Recipients completed an extensive application and were then selected as the ultimate honoree by a group of eight administrators from different offices on campus. Despite the fact that only a few individuals received the 2005 Excellence Awards, the quality of competition involved demonstrates just how much GW students do to cultivate positive involvement in university life.

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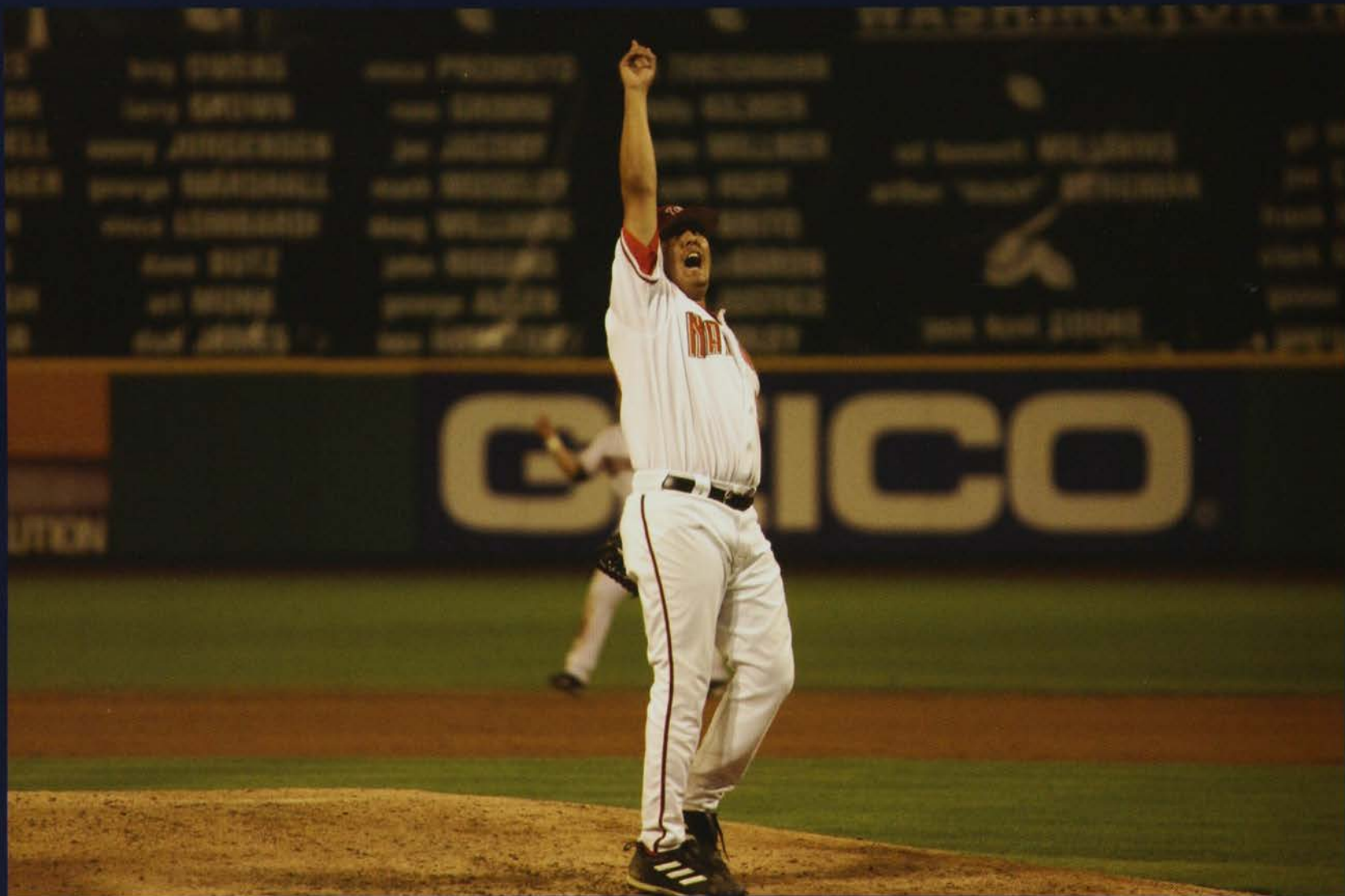
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# Washington Nationals

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Baseball returns to the District of Columbia for the first time in over 33 years. The last time baseball was in the district was in 1972, right before the Washington Senators moved to Texas and became the Texas Rangers. This year the Montreal Expos relocated to Washington and became the Washington Nationals. GW students were seen sporting their DC pride, as the games became a fun and convenient pastime during the spring, summer, and early fall. The season began on the road on April 4, 2005 against the Philadelphia Phillies; center fielder Brad Wilkerson had the honor of being the lead-off batter, and he aptly responded with the first hit in Nationals history. Unfortunately, the Phillies responded with a three-run homer by Kenny Lofton and the team handed the Nationals their first loss, 4-8. The Nationals won their next two games against the Phillies and after a strong performance on the road against the Florida Marlins and the Atlanta Braves respectively, the team returned to Washington for their first home game in RFK stadium on April 14, 2005. On the historic night, the stadium roared with cheers from DC locals as the Nationals took on the Arizona Diamondbacks. Former Washington Senators pitcher Joe Grzenda handed a ball to President George W. Bush who threw the ceremonial first pitch. Nationals pitcher Liván Hernández and big-hitter Vinny Castilla would not disappoint their newfound fans, as Hernández held Arizona to a one-hitter into the ninth inning and Castilla fell a single shy of the cycle. The Nationals snatched a 5-3 victory in their first home game. Exceeding the expectations of many, the Nationals' season peaked when they were ranked in first place in the NL East Division after sweeping the Florida Marlins in the middle of the season. The Nationals completed their first season with an even 81-81 record.

*Charles B. Dewey*











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*Senior Section*



# *The Class of 2005*







*At commencement you  
wear your square-shaped  
mortarboards.*

*My hope is that from time to  
time you will let your minds be  
bold, and wear sombreros.*

*-Paul Freund*



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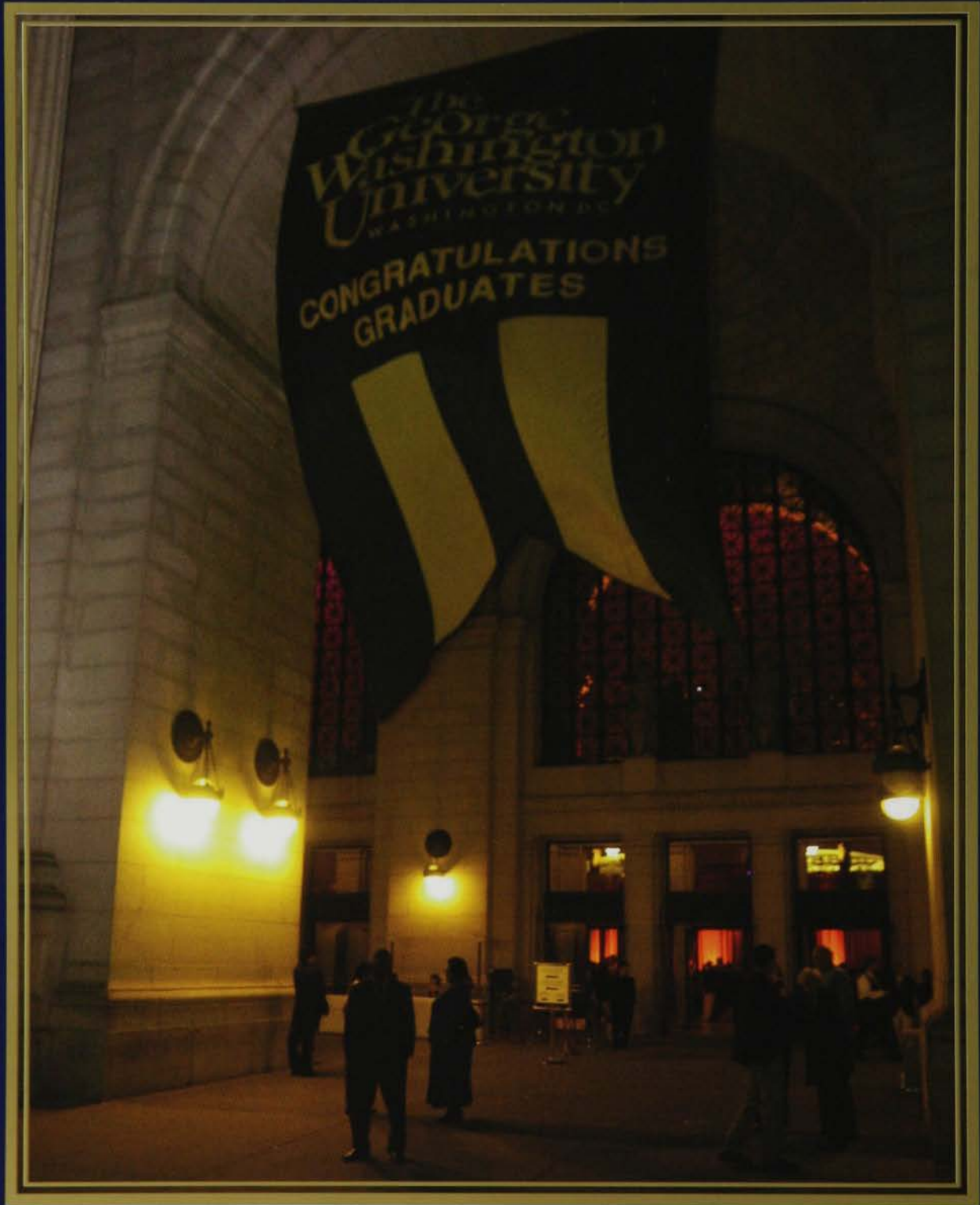


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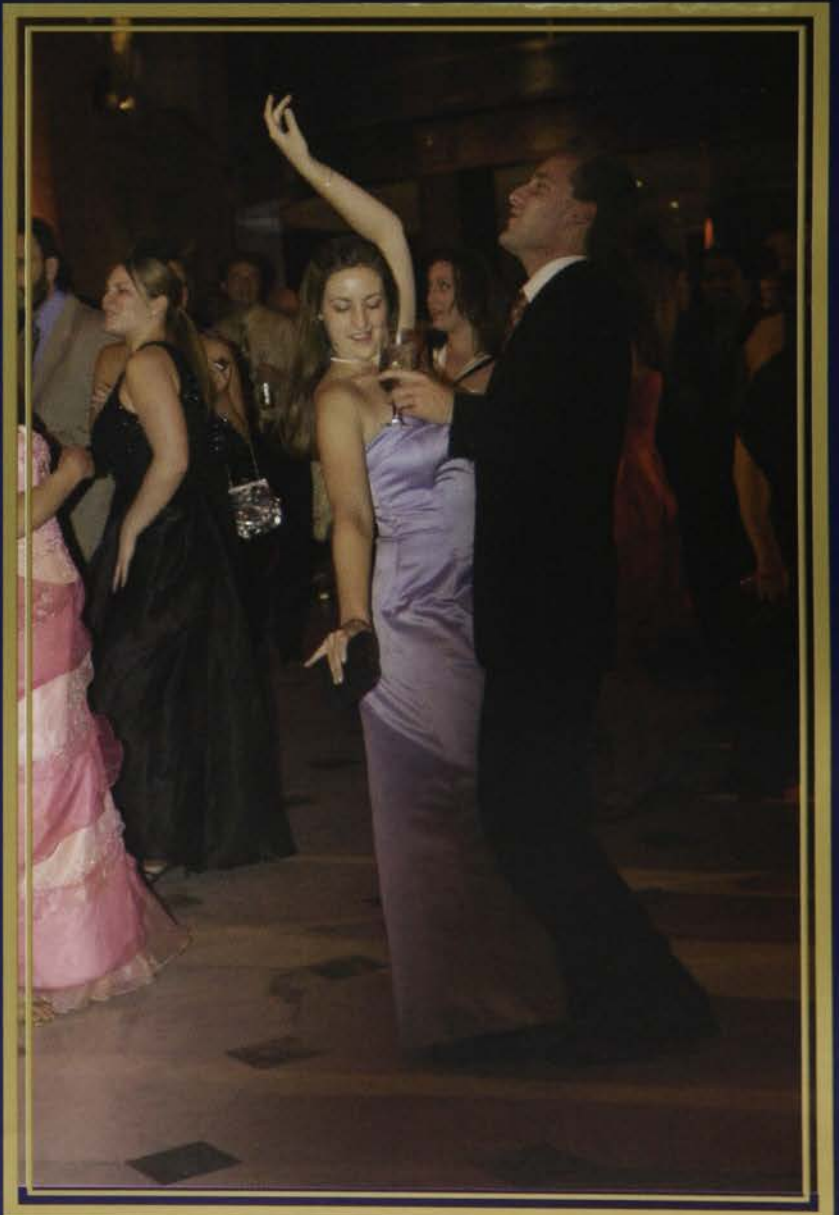


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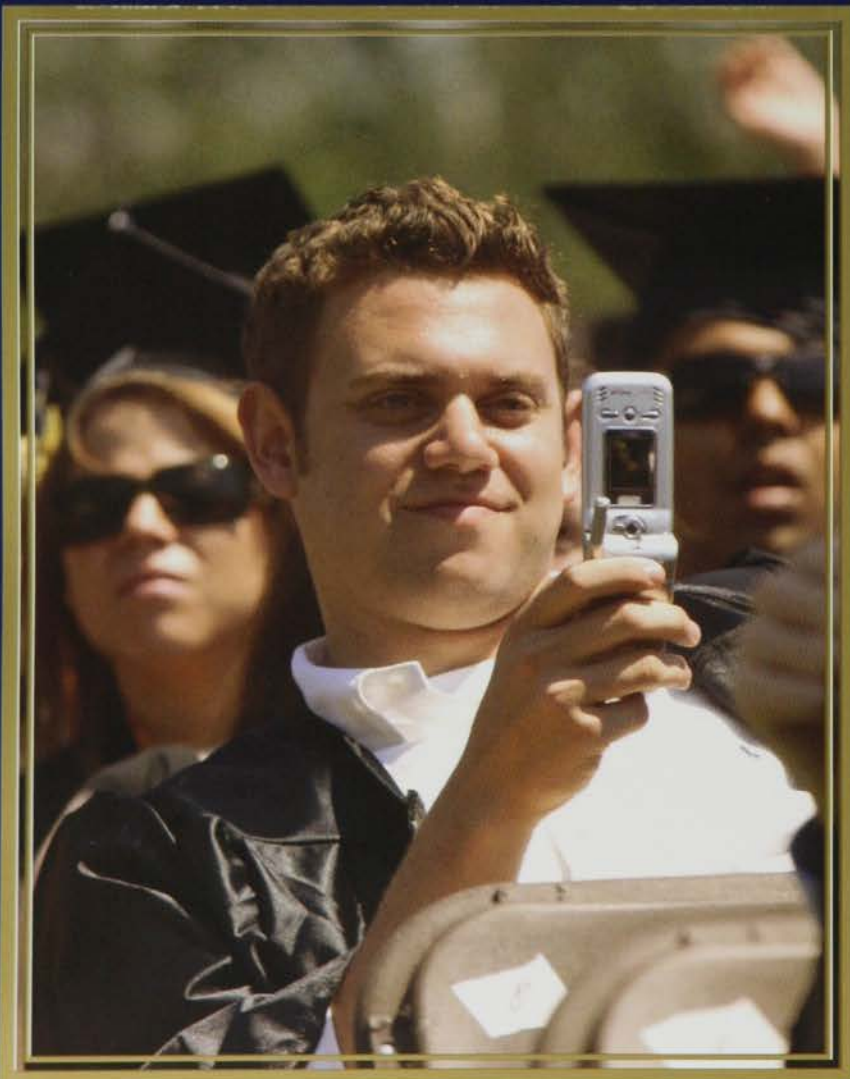


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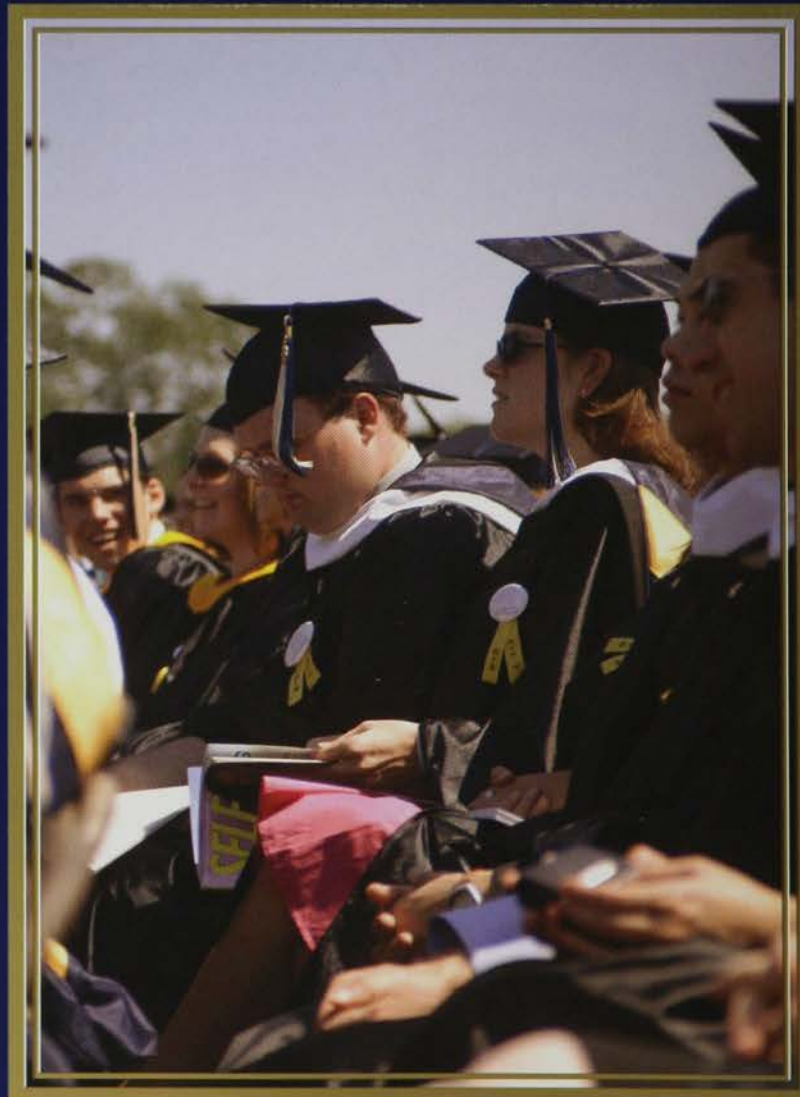


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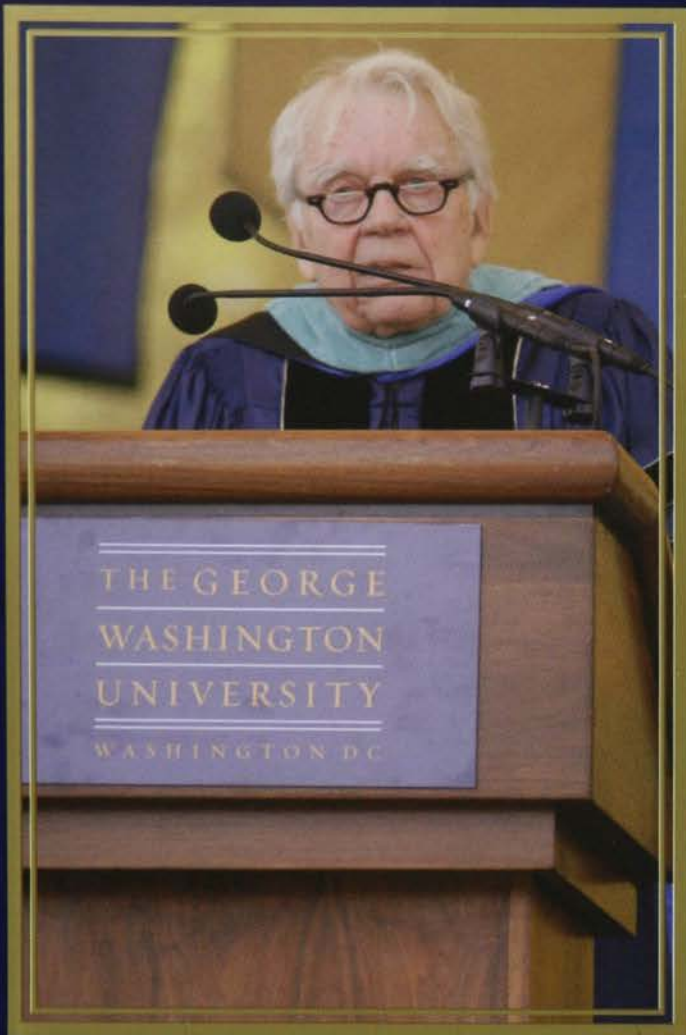


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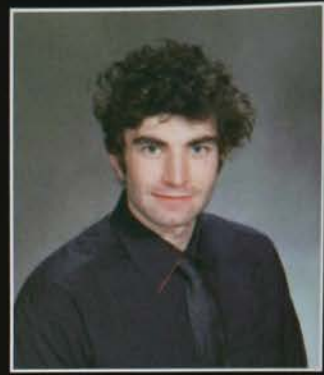
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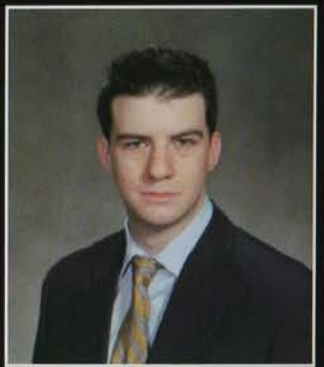
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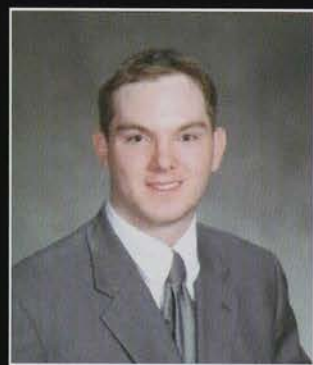
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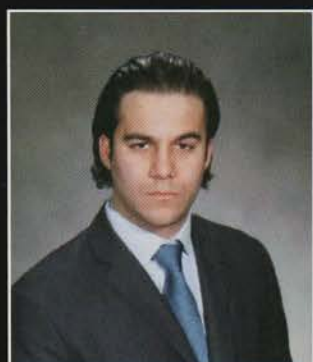
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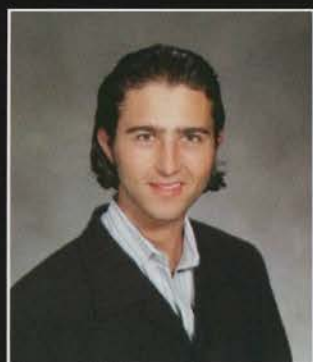
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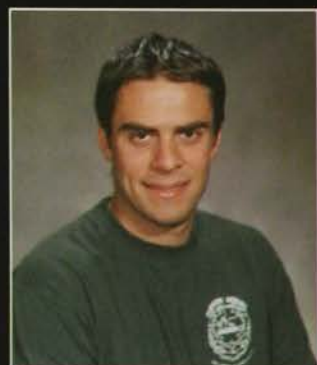
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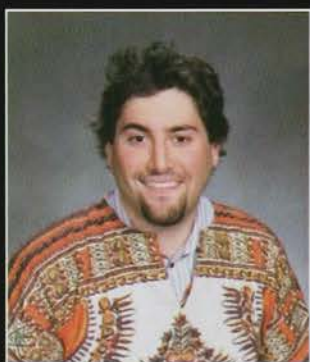
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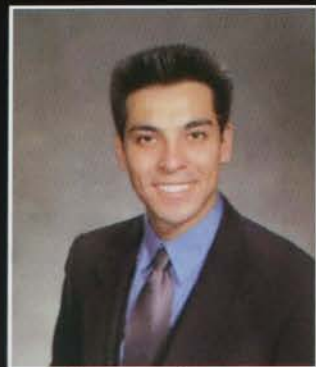
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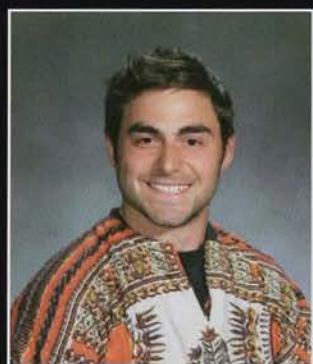
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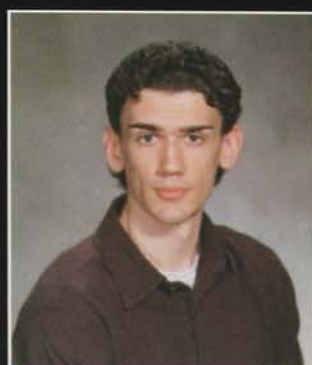
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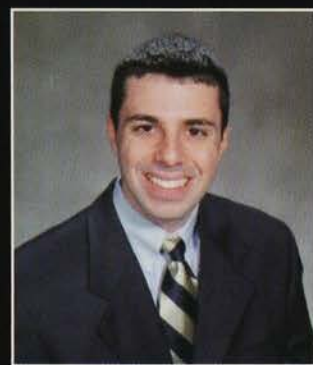
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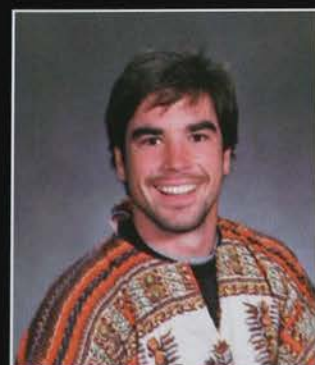
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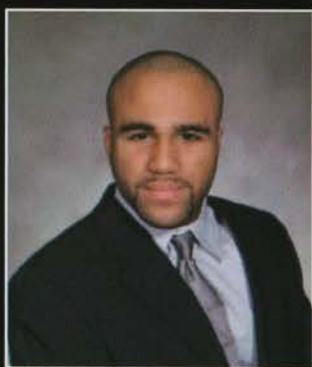
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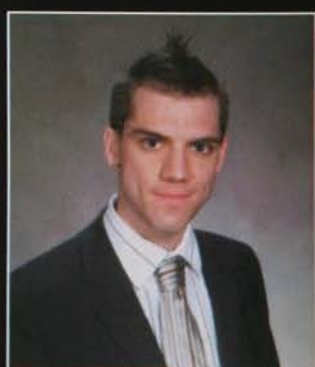
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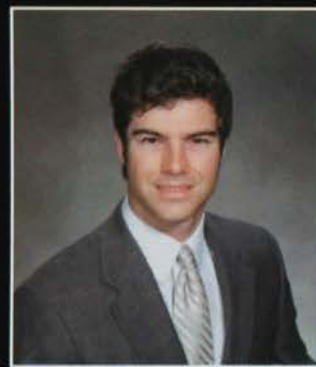
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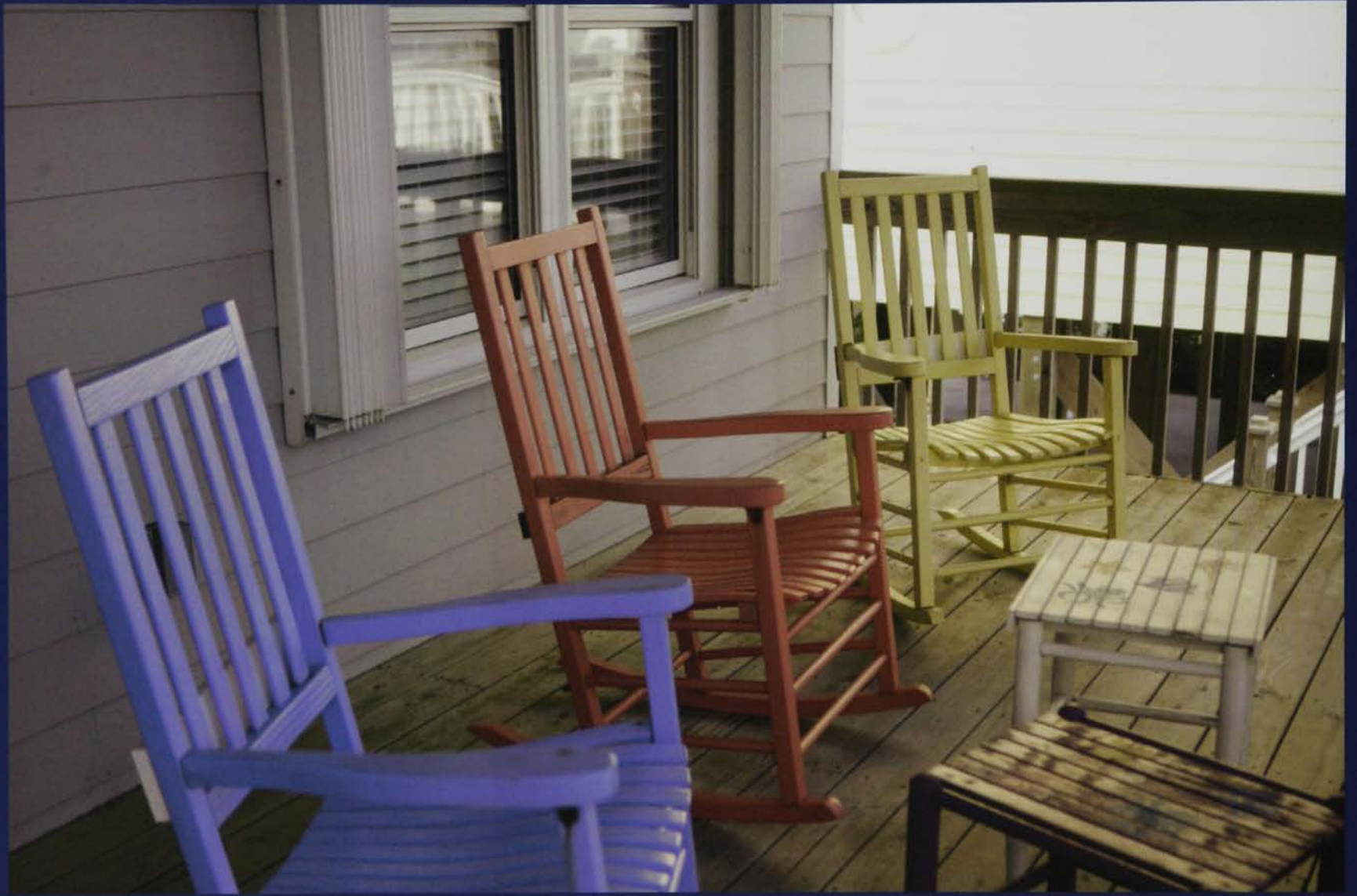




*man's foot long enough to enable him to put the other somewhat higher."*  
-Thomas Huxley







*"A perfect summer day is when the sun is shining,  
the breeze is blowing, the birds are singing,  
and the lawn mower is broken."*

*-James Dent*



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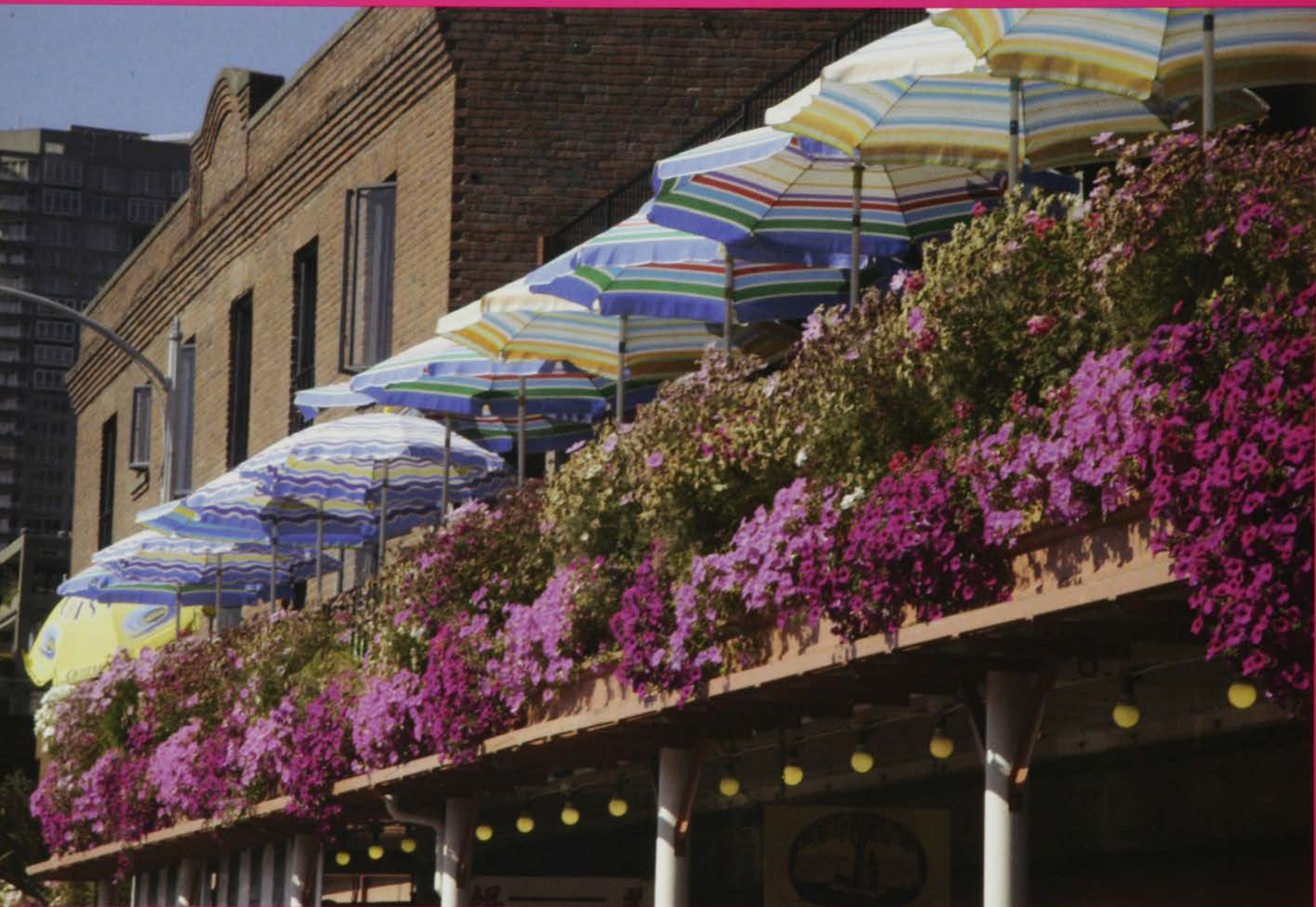
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# Summer Jobs



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When many current students were high school seniors making the decision about where to attend college, one of the strongest attributes of GW was the city of Washington. GW's unique vantage point in the District of Columbia attracted many students who wanted to experience the excitement of the city first hand by attending university in the nation's capitol. When the dust settled after final exams and end-of-the-year celebrations, GW's campus was still populated with many of the same faces who have been roaming around Foggy Bottom since August. While other universities were ghost towns, save for a lacrosse camp or two passing through every few weeks, GW's residence halls were filled to the brim from May to August. Interns came from all over the country for the chance to work on Capitol Hill—an opportunity that students in Washington, D.C. were able to take advantage of all throughout the year. But over the summer, GW students also did their fair share of office work, gaining





experience at law firms, government agencies, lobbying organizations and financial institutions throughout the District. Other students chose to work where they live and served the University in many capacities during the summer, including Colonial Cabinet member, Visitor Information Program representative, CLLC Summer Assistant and Residential Property Manager. The shops and restaurants of D.C. also provided some much-needed cash for students who chose to take a less serious approach to summer employment. Although, for every Colonial residing on campus in the humid Washington heat, there were as many students who chose to spend some time away from Foggy Bottom over the summer. GW students could be found working anywhere and everywhere in 2005: from New York's Wall Street to the movie studios of Los Angeles; it was anything but a lazy summer.

*-Katie Considine*



# Summer Fun



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The rebellious words of film character Ferris Bueller form a mantra known by all: “Life moves pretty fast, if you don’t stop and look around for awhile—you might miss it.” For the GW undergrad, the motto fit; life during the months of June, July, and August didn’t get much better than a breezy summer day with the world and time at one’s disposal. While the majority of GW students packed their summers with jobs, internships, or even extra classes, it was the precious moments of pure unadulterated fun that made the summer a favorite season. Some students went the traditional route of hosting barbeques and catching-up on summer blockbusters, while others got a little more inventive. From picking up the new sport of kiteboarding to hiking the Appalachian Trail, GW students found new and creative ways to “economize” their free time. A favorite way to maximize efficiency was to simply maximize relaxation: doing nothing. The joy of catching a catnap on the National Mall or relishing sleeping until noon was not to be underestimated in value. Whether it was a stolen moment underneath an exploding sky on July fourth, a game of football on the beach, or simply savoring languid hours in the hammock, summer often became synonymous with fun.

*-Caitlin B. Doherty*





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# Summer Travel



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The lengthy duration of summer vacation allowed students to take advantage of their frequent flyer miles. There were the standard excursions to the beach where students could soak up rays and catch some waves, while others chose more adventurous destinations. Some students took the time to reunite with their loved ones on family vacations, while others preferred to assert their newfound collegiate independence. The geographically diverse student body gave matriculating students a vast network of friends to visit across the nation and the world. Students hailed from all fifty states and hundreds of different countries. A popular form of transportation also incorporated travel: the road trip. College students eager to cruise Route 66 incorporated their mode of transport with their travel itinerary. With an appropriate mix of music and the right companionship, the road could be a destination in and of itself. Summer travel has become an integral part of the college student experience, not limited to the stories shared upon return to campus in the fall.

-Caitlin B. Doherty



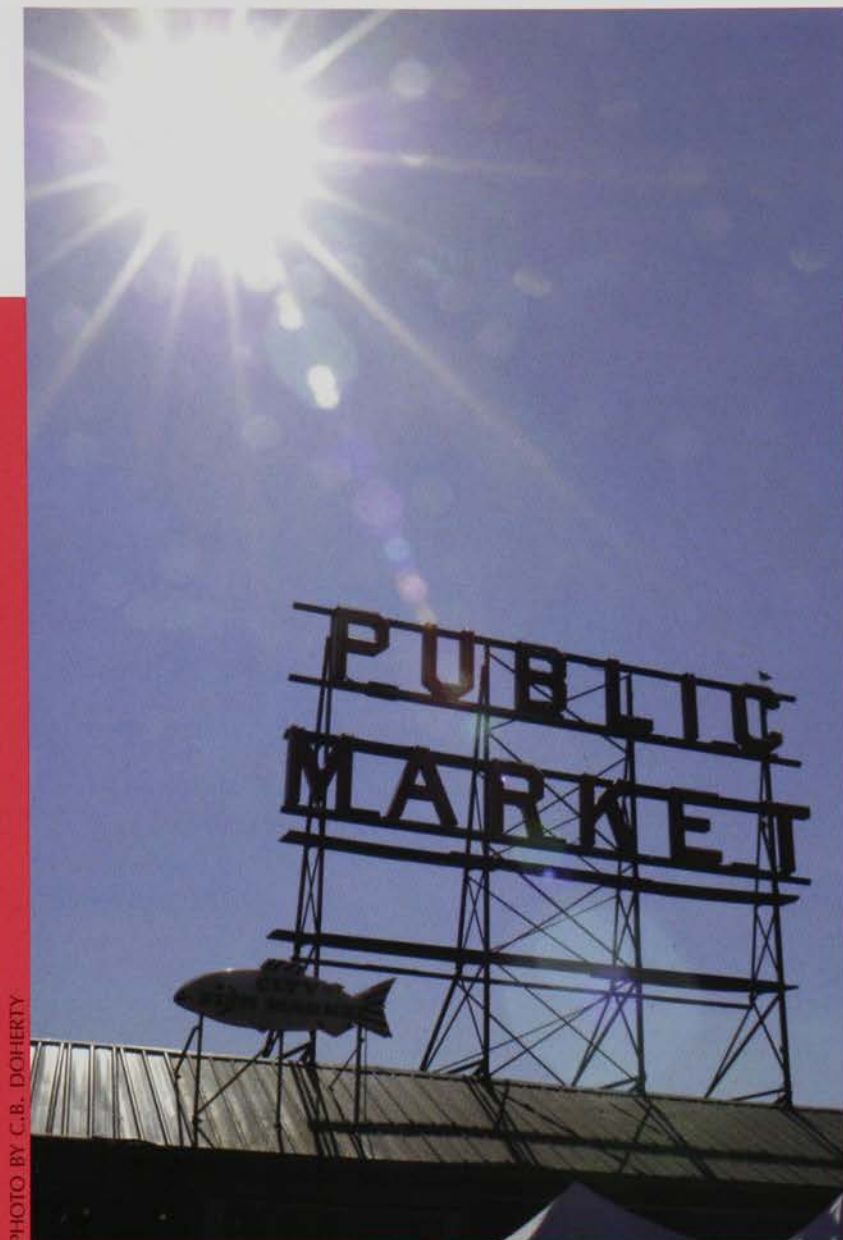


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# Colonial Cabinet



Making the transition from high school or from another university to GW is filled with questions about financial aid, academic standing, and social activities. Fortunately, GW's Colonial Cabinet was available at every session of Colonial Inauguration 2004 to answer those questions and provide cultural, educational and recreational activities for new students. After a rigorous application process including an extensive application and individual interview, only 30 students were selected for these coveted positions from a field of nearly 300 applicants. Members of the Cabinet came from every undergraduate school and a variety of majors and backgrounds; however, all were chosen because of their excellence in leadership and dedication to student life at GW. The Cabinet hosted luncheons, tours of the city, and small group sessions for both students and parents at CI. Most importantly, the members provided invaluable information about academic planning and scheduling.

*-Katie Considine*





Maris Bish, Shubha Chandra, Brian Cheung, Zack Colonna, Carrie Doumit, Albert Fonticiella, William Griffin, Jamie Renee Gustafson, Eric Gutierrez, Jenny Heisler, Sean Holiday, Carolyn Jane Kendzia, Karleen Krenicky, Ivy Kublin, Chris Larocque, Anthony Marinos, Courtney O'Driscoll, Dylan Peckenpaugh, Janiere Pereira, Christopher Pitre, Shivann Schonland, Audai Shakour, Matt Steinhelfer, Meredith Street, Maryann Tan, Erica Taylor, Ariel Wade, Titi Williams-Davies, and Vinny Zuffante.



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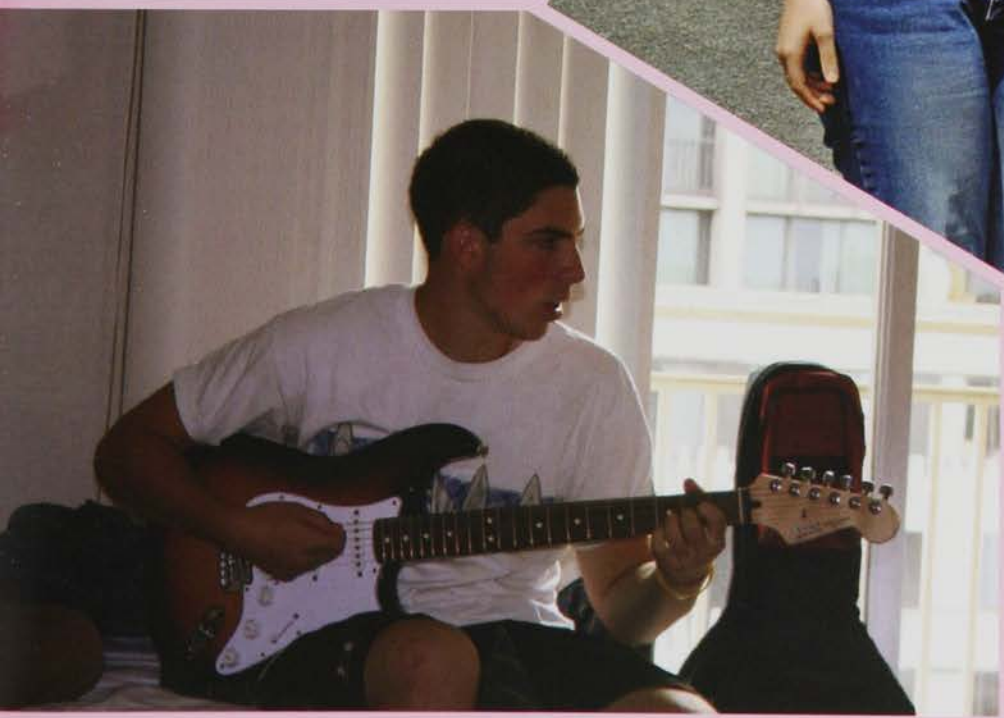
# A New Freshman Class



The end of summer brought a close to the 365 days of the academic year. As another year began, we are reminded of the continuing cycles that make up the world. In the eternal words of musical artist Lauryn Hill: "Change, it comes eventually." Just as winter turns to spring, and summer turns to fall, life continues, with change as the only true constant. As the 2005 seniors hand down their legacy, remember that each year creates something new to add to the rich history of GW. The knowledge, experience, and opportunities that are passed down from year to year are built on a foundation of the generations who came before. The Class of 2009 arrived in August ready to experience all that GW has to offer and, like all those who have passed through the halls before them, ready to create their own unique piece of the GW legacy.

*-Caitlin B. Doherty*











# PABLO GABRIEL VELEZ

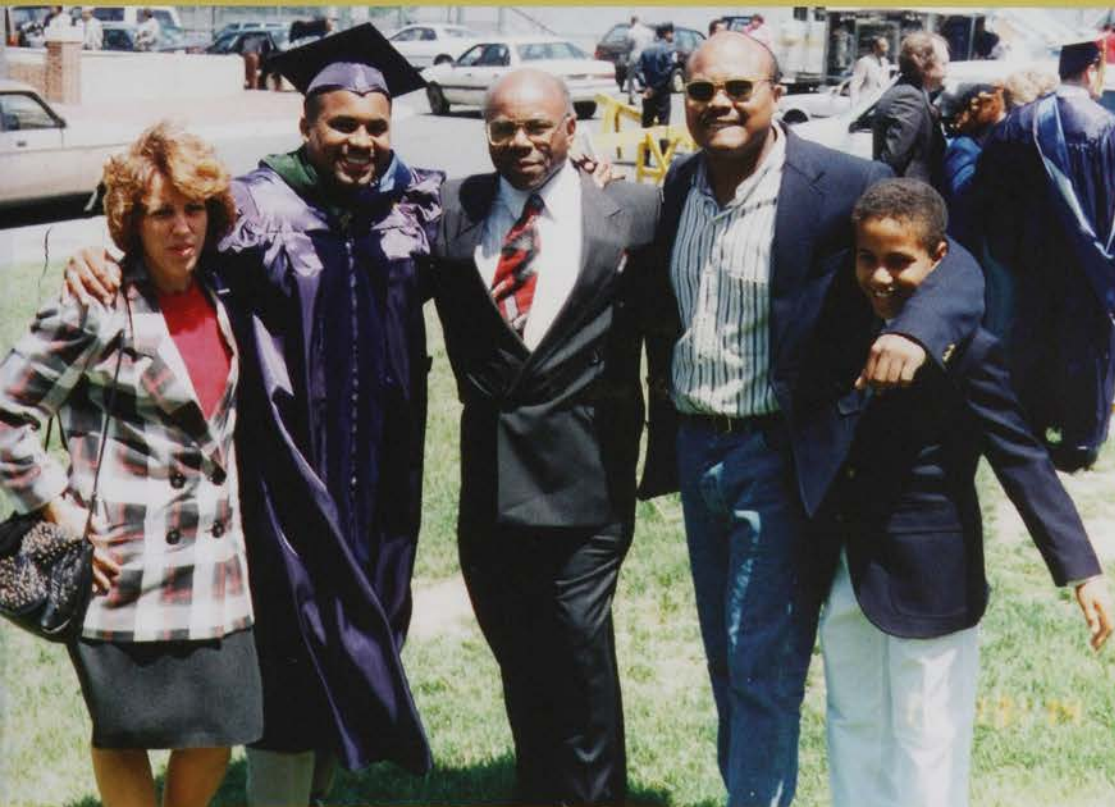
Elliott School of International Affairs



## Pablo

**We're so proud of your successes, your skills and abilities, your hard work and accomplishments. But even more important than these, we're proud of the person that you are... the goodness and generosity, the thoughtfulness and caring which are so much part of your daily life... You are a truly special person, and we feel very fortunate to have a son like you...**

**Love, Mima and Papa**







## To Our Princess, **Christina Marie Swanson:**

**You have climbed mountains and ski raced to the finish line.**

**You have selflessly given so much of your time to charity organizations and left an AmericaCounts tutoring program for inner-city students in Boston as a legacy.**

**You ventured off to DC for your Junior and senior years without knowing a soul and became best friends with so many. After years as an only child, you found sisters at Alpha Delta Pi.**

**You were free-spirited enough to travel through Europe for a summer.**

**You insisted on two majors and not an easier path.**

**And to think**

**– you've only just begun.**

**Chrissy, you continue to bring laughter to our hearts and happiness to everyone whose life you touch.**

**You are such a beautiful lady!**

**With all our love,  
Mom and Dad**





# JENNIFER CLARA READ

## Character Of A Happy Life

How happy is he born or taught  
That serveth not another's will;  
Whose armour is his honest thought;  
And silly truth his highest skill!

Who hath his life from rumours freed,  
Whose conscience is his strong retreat  
Whose state can neither flatterers feed,  
Nor ruin make accusers great;

Who envieth none whom chance doth raise  
Or vice; who never understood  
How deepest wounds are given with praise;  
Nor rules of state, but rules of good:

By Sir H. Wotton



Jennie,  
Your family is  
very proud of you  
and wishes you  
great happiness  
on life's journey  
Dad, Mum, and Ian





# DEAREST RICHARD BRIAN.

**From the moment you entered this world, you have filled our lives with only joy, love, and pride.**



**We have watched with wonder as you have grown into the special person you are whose remarkable accomplishments have far surpassed our greatest expectations.**

**You are the sunshine of our lives and the joy in our hearts. We are so proud of you. Rick, you truly exemplify what a son should be. You are also a very special grandson, brother, nephew, and friend.**

**You mean more to us than mere words could ever say, and we wish for you everything that you wish for yourself and so much more. May all your dreams come true, and may you have a lifetime filled with only love, good health, and happiness.**

**Congratulations! With all our love always,  
Mom, Dad, Jessica, Michael, Ma Dot, & Roxie**



# “The World is Yours” J. Lenet

We are so proud of you Shaun.  
Well done. We love you.  
Now it's time to live life.

Mom, Dad and J.





# PHILIP MAGEE



Phil, You are a spectacular brother. You have amazed me again and again with your talents and accomplishments. I wish you the best in the real world and know you are bound for big things! "Today is your day! Your mountain is waiting so...get on your way!" -Dr. Seuss  
Love, Cara

Dear Phil,  
Thank you for being such a great older brother and a friend I can always count on for great nights out on the town. I'll miss not having you blocks away and listening to all your crazy stories, but I can't wait to see what you'll do next (and I'm always willing to listen over the phone). Your talent and hard work inspires me. Congratulations! I love you!  
Love Always,  
Julia



Phil  
It is so great being your Parents. Watching your life unfold has been nothing short of a privilege. Congratulations and all our love to you.  
Mom and Dad



Philip,  
You have always stood by me as my brother. I have looked up to you and strive to be like you every day. Thank you for guiding me through hard times in my life and thanks for always being there for me. I know you are going to do amazing things in your life. I love you.  
Love,  
Greg

Phil, you've got a lot to look forward to: lots of laughs to be had, travels to faraway lands, songs to be sung at the top of our lungs, more fish to be caught, and another round of drinks... or two.  
So, basically, it'll be more of the same.

We're proud of you. Love, Max and Lauren

Congratulations Philip,  
You've been there as an example for me growing up. I appreciate the support I've gotten from you, especially in the recent few years. I really am proud of you for many things. You have always been the pioneer in our family, venturing into uncertainty, armed with knowledge and confidence. This graduation is no different. Just as you ushered the rest of us into our teens here we all stand on the edge of our lives preparing to take our first steps. I love you; you impress me everyday, and I'm proud to be your little brother. So let me know what life is like beyond the gates of GW.  
Much Love,  
Dave



*Veronica Alicia Perretti*  
*Congratulations!!!*

*You have done so well and we are very proud of you.*

*Your future is yours to do everything you do best.*

*We love you with all our heart*

*and wish you all the happiness you deserve.*

*Love, Mom and Dad*



# ALEXANDRA BOYNE



ALEX,

WE ARE SO PROUD OF THE BEAUTIFUL,  
SELF-ASSURED YOUNG WOMAN YOU  
HAVE BECOME. YOUR ZEST FOR  
LIFE, COMPASSIONATE NATURE AND  
VIBRANT SPIRIT BRING JOY TO ALL  
THOSE AROUND YOU.

**CONGRATULATIONS**  
**ON YOUR GRADUATION!**

WE LOOK FORWARD TO THE  
WONDERFUL JOURNEY AHEAD  
OF YOU.

ALWAYS BELIEVE IN YOURSELF  
AND FOLLOW YOUR DREAMS.

LOVE ALWAYS,

MOM, DAD AND ADAM







Congratulations and Celebration!

# Marjana E. Jaïdi

We are so very proud of you!

With love, hugs and kisses,

Baba and Mom

Myriam, Mekki,

Moulay-Hassan and Maia



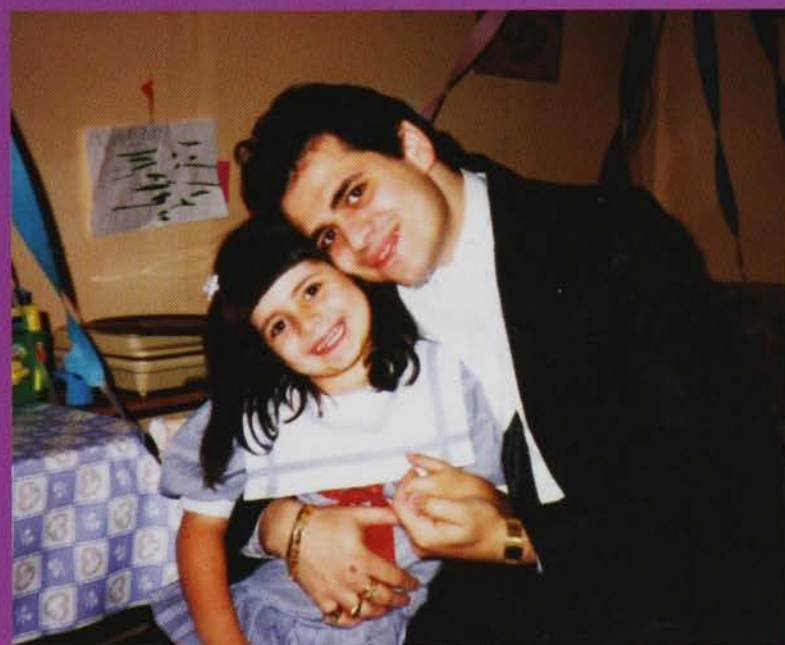
# LISA COHAN

## CONGRATULATIONS



In all your future journeys  
you will always have our love and admiration  
Salwa, David and Daniel





*"Although there were times in my life when the challenges seemed insurmountable and I felt my goals could never be achieved. I now have a clearer understanding of the power of the human will, and know that I can accomplish great things if given the opportunity.*

*Are the goals that I have set for myself lofty? Without a doubt!*

*Yet setting the bar to lofty heights has worked for me in the past." – Vanessa Icolari 2005*

**Nessa,**

**Part of being a parent is providing the child with confidence and the tools to achieve.  
But then, without knowing what power she instills, there is the drive, strength and focus  
the child gives the parent.**

**We love you and are so proud of you.**

**You have given a meaning to our lives we could never have expected and that we will  
always hold dear. Now, on to even loftier heights at Columbia Law School.**

**Congratulations, Papi & Steve**



Sam,

Congratulations on your transition into the next phase of your life. I am very proud of you. You are a wonderful niece.

Love, Uncle Al

Your graduation exemplifies a tenacious commitment to achieve and to develop your God-given greatness. Keep raising the bar... there's still more in you; and thanks for touching my life with the effervescence of a daughter's love. Love, Your "Big Guy"

Beautiful Woman of God- Congratulations!

Mission Accomplished! You are truly the Apple of God's Eye (Favored)

We encourage you to continue to press forward. Never quit! You are an inspiration to many that shall come after you. Reach high Love Always Search all things; then capture your dreams! Success is yours! Remember... You can do all things through Christ who strengthens you. Keep God first and your aspirations will be your reward. (Matthew 6:33)... On the lighter side of things...D.R.F. (picture not included)\_June 2006 is lift off date. =)

We love you, Minister Marcus and Elder Yolanda Smith

SPECIAL,

Wow! You are approaching another milestone. As with any goal you accomplish, it takes a lot of effort, dedication, and cordence. Along the journey you encountered many obstacles and difficulties, but you persevered. You kept your eyes on the prize. An achievement is more fulling when you meet (and appropriately address) the challengers along with way. Reaching the target required a lot of studying, hard work, and occasionally, sleepless nights. Somalia, I am very proud of you. You are, and will always be very special to me. CONGRATULATIONS!!! I am very cordent that you WILL be successful as you stride to achieve future goals, and endeavors. I pray that God will continue to bless you! I LOVE YOU SOMILIA, aka MOLLY, aka SAM, aka SPECIAL!

Love always, Dad

To my niece Sam,

I am very happy to have you in my life. You are always somewhere making people laugh. So I just want to tell you to keep making people laugh, and stay sweet.

Love you, Aunt Carolyn

Congratulations Samilia,

You have made me so proud! You have come a long way from the mall headed babby that I watched years ago. I am happy that you are part of my life and family... I will love you always. With God's help you will go further in life than you are now.

Love, Aunt Trish and Cousin Joy

Hommie Gee Funkie nut slice!

Well, I guess this is the last time I can greet you this way. You know, now that you are a professional and all. It has been great watching you grow into the lady you've become. Stay focused and be good.

Evol ay! Dara

You are the Best Best Best aunty. WE LOVE YOU!

Jada and Taylor

You will always be my Sammie Pie! Love, Big Ma

This is to my baby girl Sam,

When you were about 8 or 9, you wrote this wonderful Mother's Day poem:

"What's a Mother For?"

Mothers are for loving, if you are good or bad.  
Mother are for sharing, whatever makes you glad.  
Mothers are for scrubbing, and keeping all things neat.  
Mother are for cooking, delicious things to eat.  
Mothers are for loving when you snuggle up tight.  
Mother are for hugging before you sleep each night.

And because this is what I am to you, I will express what you are to me.

You are a light in my heart becayse before you were born, I asked God for a special child. You are one of the most precious possessions that God has given me. You are a very loveable and obedient child. You ask very little questions and give me endless love and support. I am very proud to have you as my child. May your love for God take you where no man has ever gone. Nothing is impossible if your desires are to always obey God and His power to walk in His ways.

Love, Mom





May 22, 2005

Dear Alex,

You have made us very proud in reaching this new milestone. We all know it was not an easy road to travel, but we are so proud of you because you have the courage and wisdom to overcome all of the obstacles that came your way.

Alex, we look at you and we love what we see, the man you have become. A young man with a moral compass to be admired, smart enough to know what he wants but not too proud to ask for advice. As you embark on your new journey always stay true to your conscience and your heart, and always remember that we are here for you, to share those moments in your life that need to be shared whether happy or sad.

Son, you now have the right vehicle to start your new journey, do not forget the lessons you have just learned analyze the road ahead and never look back.

May God bless you along the way in everything you do.

Always there for you,

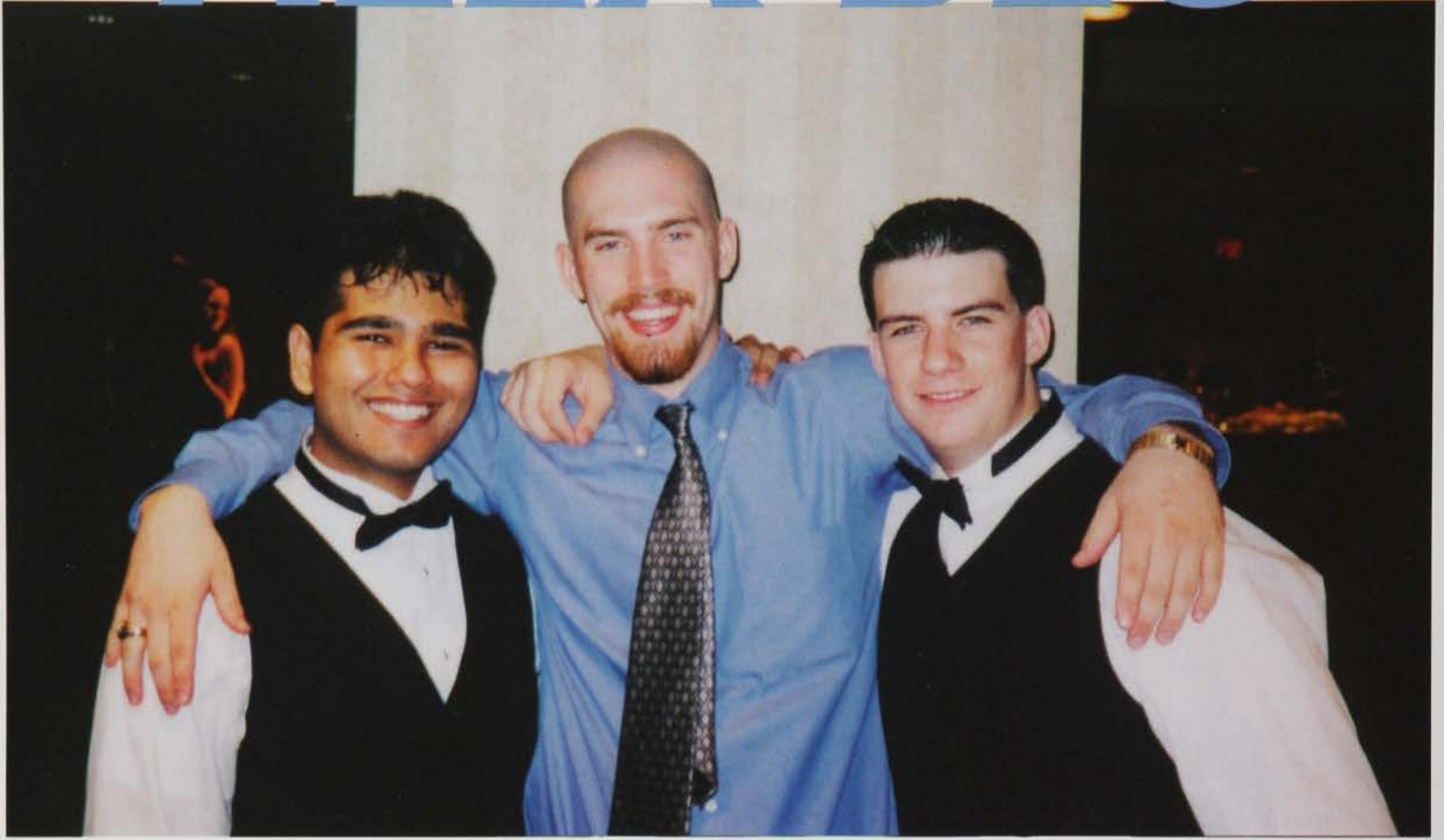
Love,

Mom and Dad





With love & pride we congratulate  
**ALEX BEG**



We wish you to be as happy and carefree as you are in these pictures.

We also wish you success as you continue to build your future.

Always there for you. Mom and Dad







**CONGRATULATIONS**

**KRISTIN ANN FAHLBUSCH**

**TO YOU**

**AND ALL YOUR FRIENDS**

**YOU DID IT!  
AND REMEMBER,  
THE BEST DAYS  
ARE STILL AHEAD!!**

**With love from  
ALL the people who love YOU**

**(especially your Mom and Dad!!)**





*Congratulations to my daughter*

*Lauren Hincey*

*For making one of her dreams a reality.*

*I could not be more proud of you.*

*You are such a kind, loving and loyal person, and  
I am confident that you will achieve everything you set your mind to.*

*I wish you all the happiness the world can bring.*

*"You Rock Badue"*

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*Love Always, Mom*

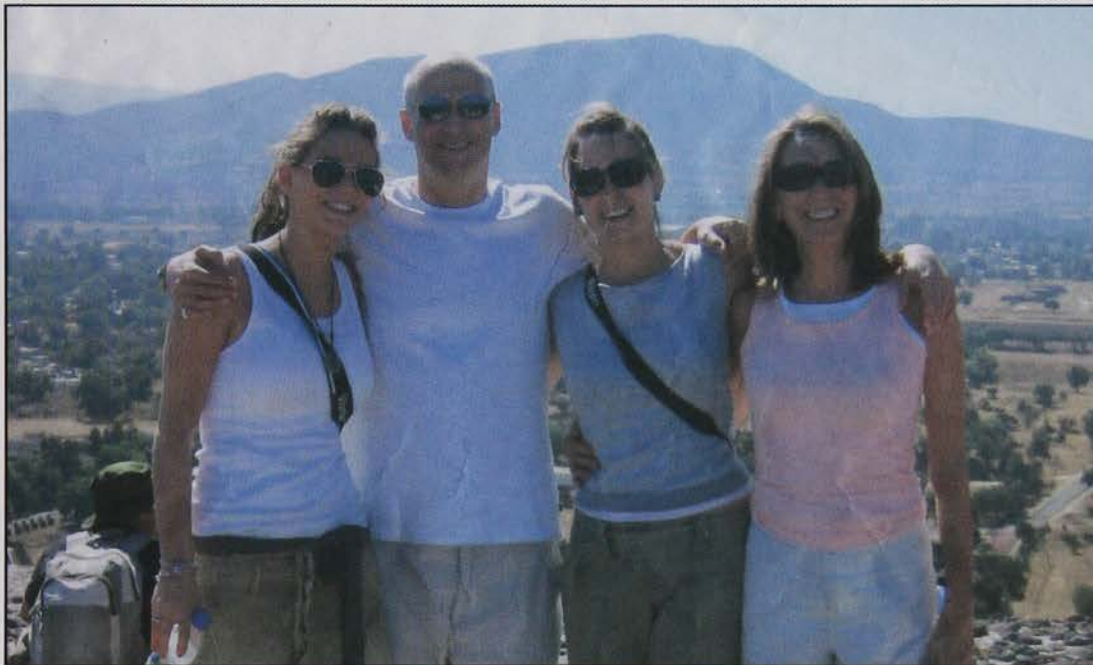
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# ★ Hally Starr ★

Hally, you have had four wonderful years at the George Washington School of Business and Public Management. It has been a great learning experience for you. The time went by so fast and now we are celebrating your graduation with family and the lifelong friends you have made at GW.

— Congratulations —



*We are so proud of  
you and support you  
in your chosen field of  
endeavor.*

*We love you.*

Mom, Dad, and Misha





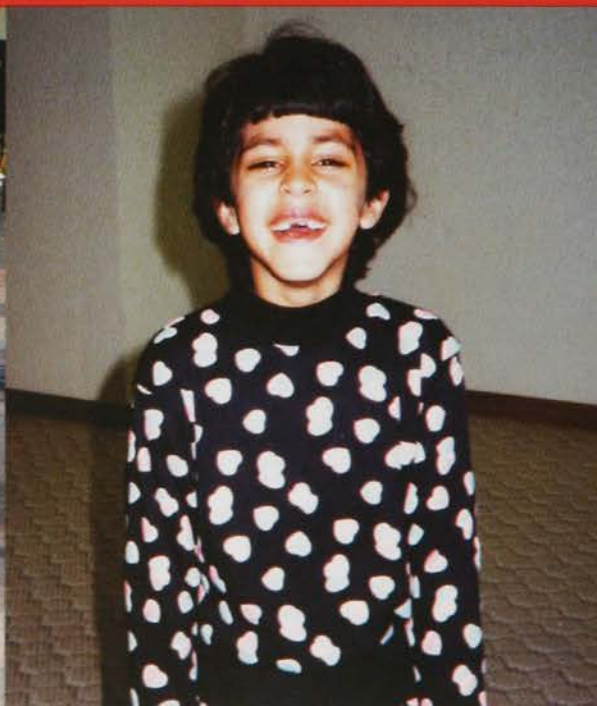
# Ambareen Jan

President of M.S.A  
President of Chamak



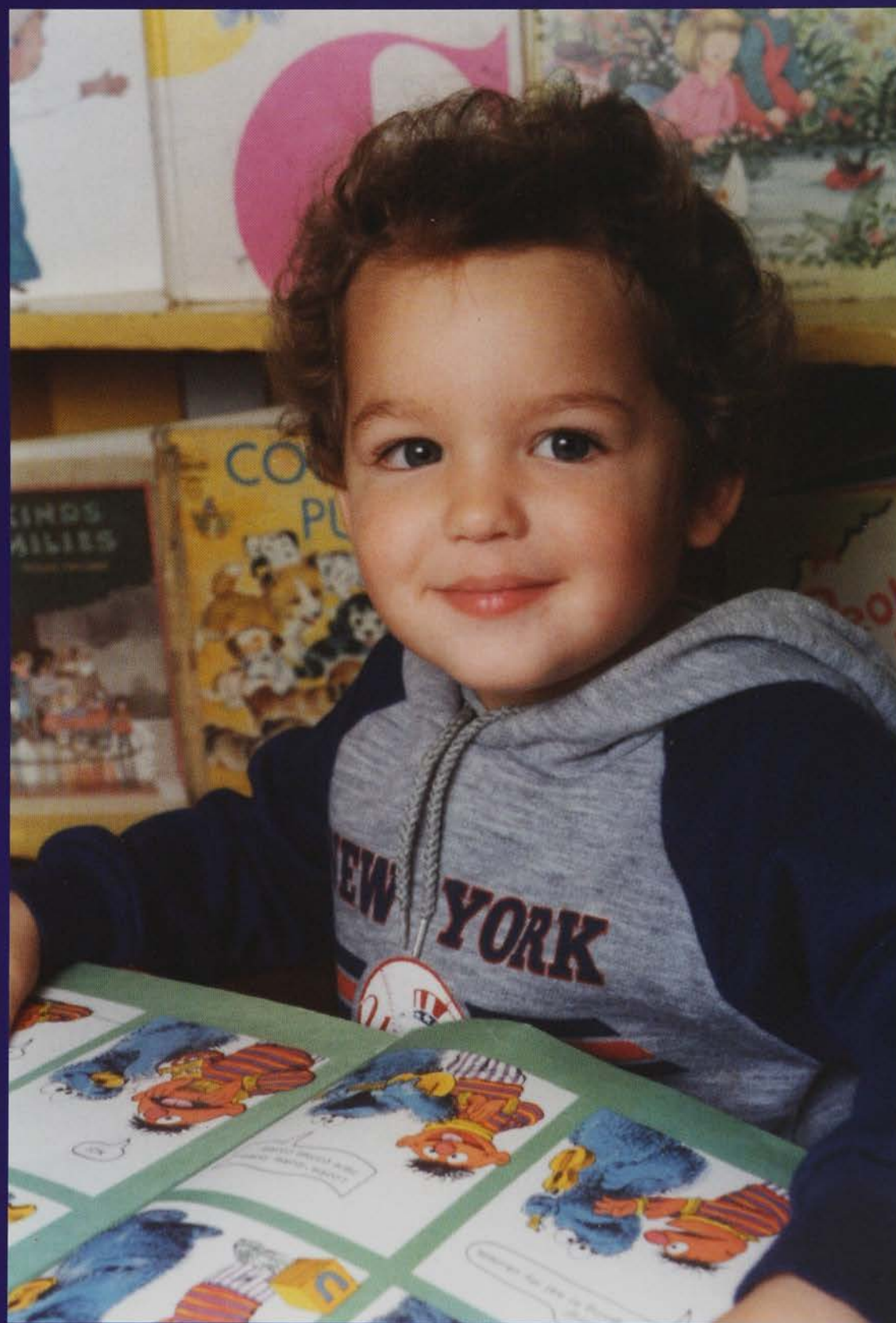
You are a blessing from God.  
You are blessed with beauty, warmth and a kind heart.  
You are very special in every stage and phase of your life.  
You are loved today and always by your family.

Never stop learning.  
Make your dreams come true.  
Much love.





# Congratulations DANIEL BRUCE KOFFLER



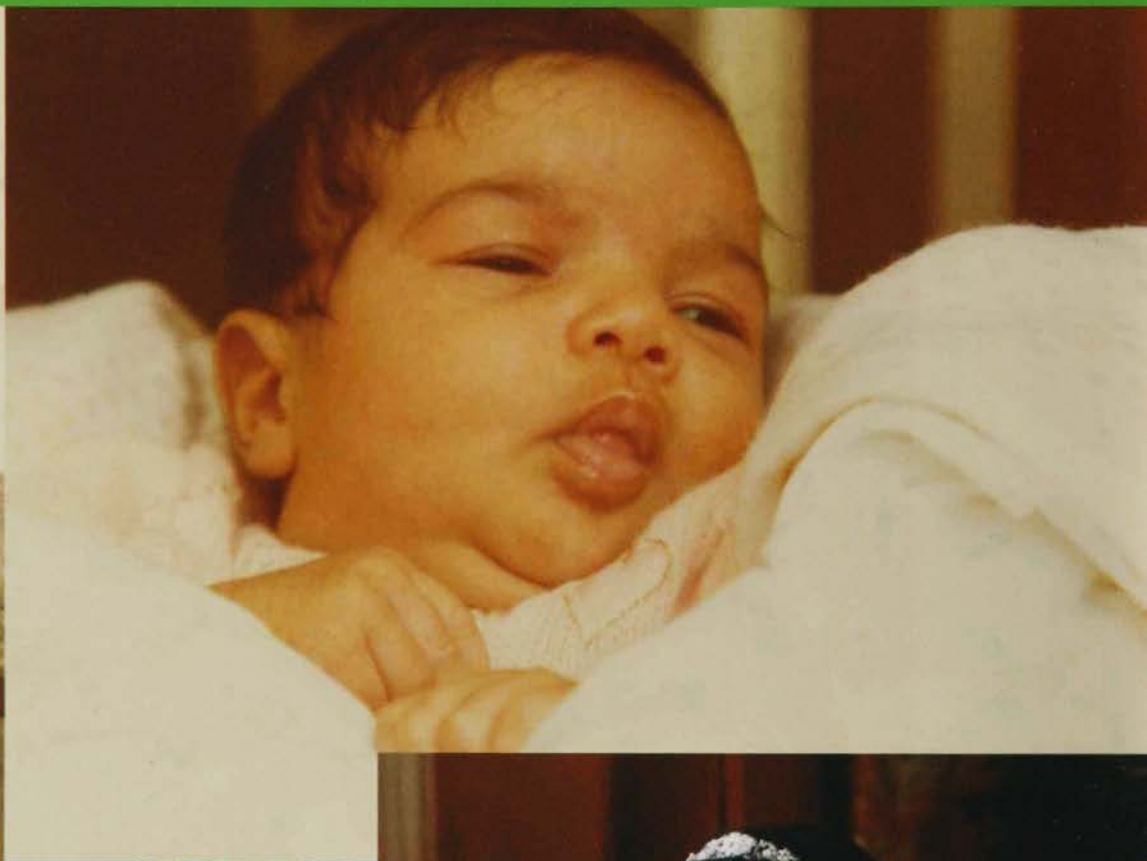
You are our star player  
Love, Mom, Dad, Brian and Bruno



# Nora Al-Haroun

**Dearest Nora, Congratulations on your college graduation! You have taken the first big step into the real world. You are a beautiful and intelligent woman and we are all very proud of you. Good Luck with all your future endeavors.**

**Much Love, Baba, Mama, Dana, Rashid, and Mohammed**







Jenny Heisler(1), Erin Berry(30), Lia Harris(4), Heidi Mayer(11), Nicole Cozzolino(18), Mary Monaghan(24)  
Jamie Lee(3), Deena Vezo(10), Meghan McDonough(7), Coach Chrissy Lombard

To our inaugural GW Lacrosse Ladies  
Congratulations!! Job well done.  
All the best in your future competitions.  
We all enjoyed the ride.  
Love, Moms and Dads





# *Congratulations Sigma Kappa Seniors!*

*in a word: classy.*



*girls  
with  
the  
pearls...*

*Dorie Ain  
Andrea Culebras  
Taryn Dangremond  
Jennifer Della Piana  
Caroline Elting  
Megan Greer  
Becca Kirrane  
Sharai Landesberg*



*"She is your mirror, shining back at you with a world of possibilities. She is your witness, who sees you at your worst and best, and loves you anyway. She is your partner in crime, your midnight companion, someone who knows when you are smiling, even in the dark. She is your teacher, your defense attorney, your personal press agent, even your shrink.*

*She is your sister."*

*-Barbara Alpert*



*Kristin Loke  
Andrea Mandell  
Caroline Mays  
Vanessa Pitch  
Shira Rosenwald  
Lindsay Roshkind  
Allison Shepard  
Courtney Tallman*







CONGRATULATIONS  
CHERRY TREE SENIORS!  
ERIN O'DONNELL  
AUTUMN MORAN  
ELIZABETH BEAR







# CONGRATULATIONS, SARAH!!!

We are so proud of you! The world is in good hands!

Love, Dad, Mom, Terri and Randy

"Things turn out best for the people who make the best out of the way things turn out." – John Wooden

"You cannot help but learn more as you take the world into your hands. Take it up reverently, for it is an old piece of clay, with millions of thumbprints on it." – John Updike

"Don't worry about what the world needs. Ask what makes you come alive and do that. Because what the world needs are people who have come alive." – Howard Thurman



# CONGRATULATIONS, LEAH!

*WE'RE SO PROUD  
OF HOW YOU'VE  
GROWN!*

*ALL OUR LOVE,  
DAD & LINDA*





**Dear Stephen,**

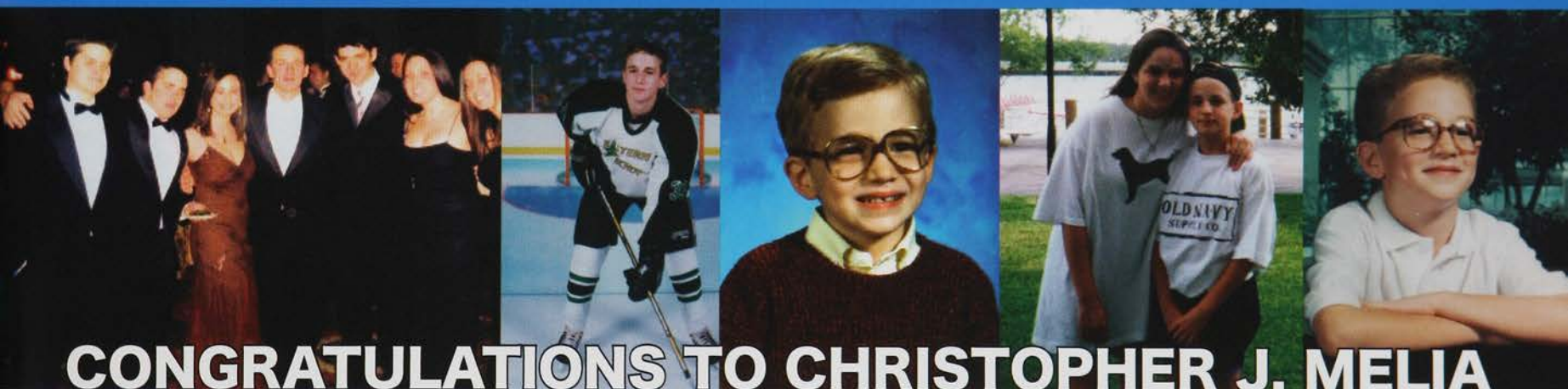
**Graduation is finally here, but, of course, not the end of your schooling career. We as parents are very honored and grateful we have you as a son. We have watched you make many decisions, decisions that are not always easy to make as a young adult living on his own. We can honestly say that you have a good head on your shoulders and we will be there standing behind you.**

**Keep up the good work, as this is the beginning of a wonderful life for you!**

**Always remember – “The people who get on in the world are the people who get up and look for the circumstances they want, and if they can’t find them, make them!” George Bernard Shaw**

**Best of Luck Always,**

**Mom & Dad!**



# CONGRATULATIONS TO CHRISTOPHER J. MELIA

CLASS OF 2005 COLUMBIAN COLLEGE OF ARTS AND SCIENCES

From a small town in Connecticut to the nation's capital; you began the journey with anxiety – even trepidation.

A double-major, a collegiate scholar, GW men's club hockey, and Phi Sigma Kappa; the hectic schedule and your many new friends exceeded even your expectation.

Now, after two great internships – including a once-in-a-lifetime experience on the Hill – and an inaugural ball; you've grown to love Washington. It's a life you truly enjoy.

You've been blessed with the “GW Experience”...and you're no longer that “small town boy.”

Love, Dad

I shall be telling this with a sigh  
Somewhere ages and ages hence;  
Two roads diverged in a wood, and I –  
I took the one less traveled by,  
And that made all the difference  
- Robert Frost

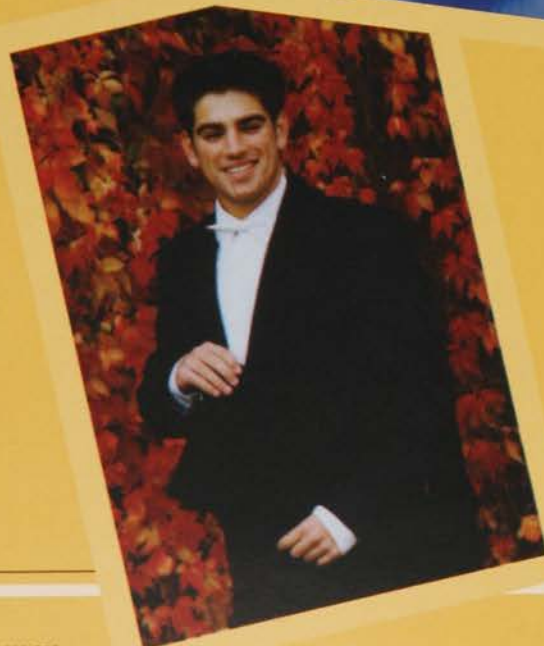
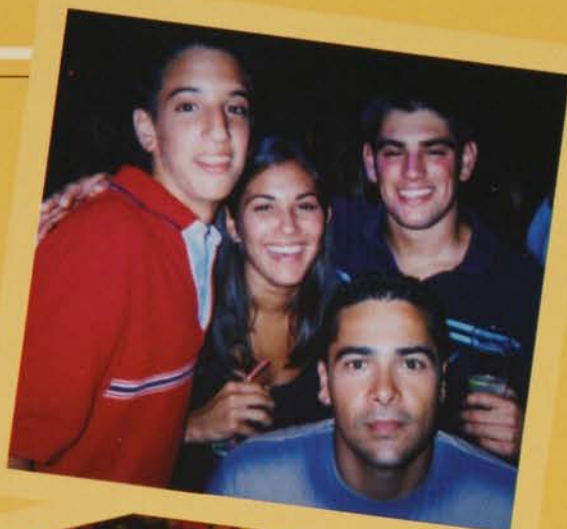


# Congratulations, Joní!

We are so proud of all your accomplishments, You're unstoppable!

Love, Mom, Dad and Rochelle

"I have the freedom to choose how to channel my own energy in order to be at the best service to others and myself." – Joní Samilín



*Our dear son Tassos,*

*"Excel Always"*

*We are very proud of you.*

*Keep up the good work.*

*May all your dreams come true!*

*We love you,*

*Mom, Dad, Katerina & Emmanuel*



RICKY:

**WE ARE VERY PROUD OF YOU!  
WE LOVE YOU VERY MUCH!**



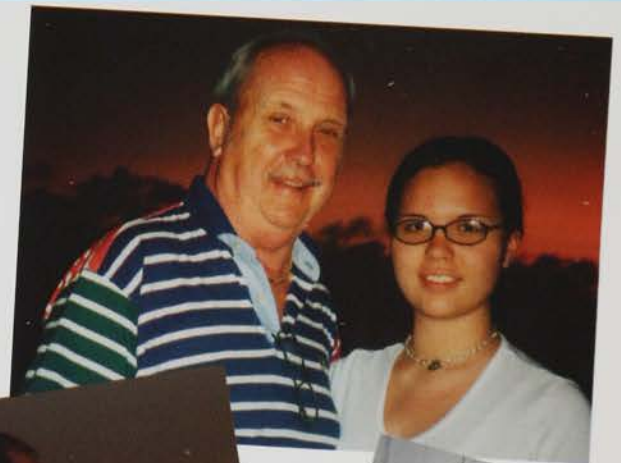
**DAD, MOM, SAMMY  
GRANDPA BENITO  
GRANDMA MIRIAM  
GRANDMA ALICIA**



## *Lucyanna*

*Beauty and Brains, that's what you are!  
It has been a pleasure watching you grow  
Into the lovely lady you are today,  
Beautiful in Every Way!  
You will always be our pride and joy,  
And you will always be Daddy's little girl.  
Stay focused on what you want to be  
And your dreams will come true.  
Congratulations on your accomplishments  
And on a job well done!  
We wish you happiness always.*

*Love, Mommy and Daddy*





Dearest Glenn,

Having you for a son and brother has been one of the greatest gifts life has given us.

Since you were just a little boy you have always been a source of pride and joy. Through the years we've watched you grow into a thoughtful, caring, sensitive and kind young man.

Each and every stage of your life has brought special joys and achievements.

You face each day with excitement, a deep strong spirit and passionate love of life.

May the dreams within your heart shape your destiny. May every new triumph bring you greater satisfaction and fill your life with happiness and fulfillment.

Today and always...We love you,  
Mom, Dad, Melissa & Cassie



Washington D.C., Spring 2005

## TO OUR DAUGHTER ADRIANA,

Yessss!!!!... You did it!!!!...

Congratulations!!! Parabens!!!

We can still remember you while a junior at Suffield Academy, and a certain day you turned to us in a phone call, home sick, melancholic and crying. I emotionally asked if you wanted to return home. And you immediately and strongly, said: "Daddy, I have a commitment to myself, I have to surpass the difficult and hard times here, and get my challenges and my job done, I can not give up at all."

Since that day on, you showed to be prepared to face the real life, be independent, and take the challenges and risks, to succeed in life.

We were very proud and happy when we heard you say that.

Today is a great day. It's not a day that you finish anything, it is a day that you begin something new, exciting and enjoyable: the great task to build your future.

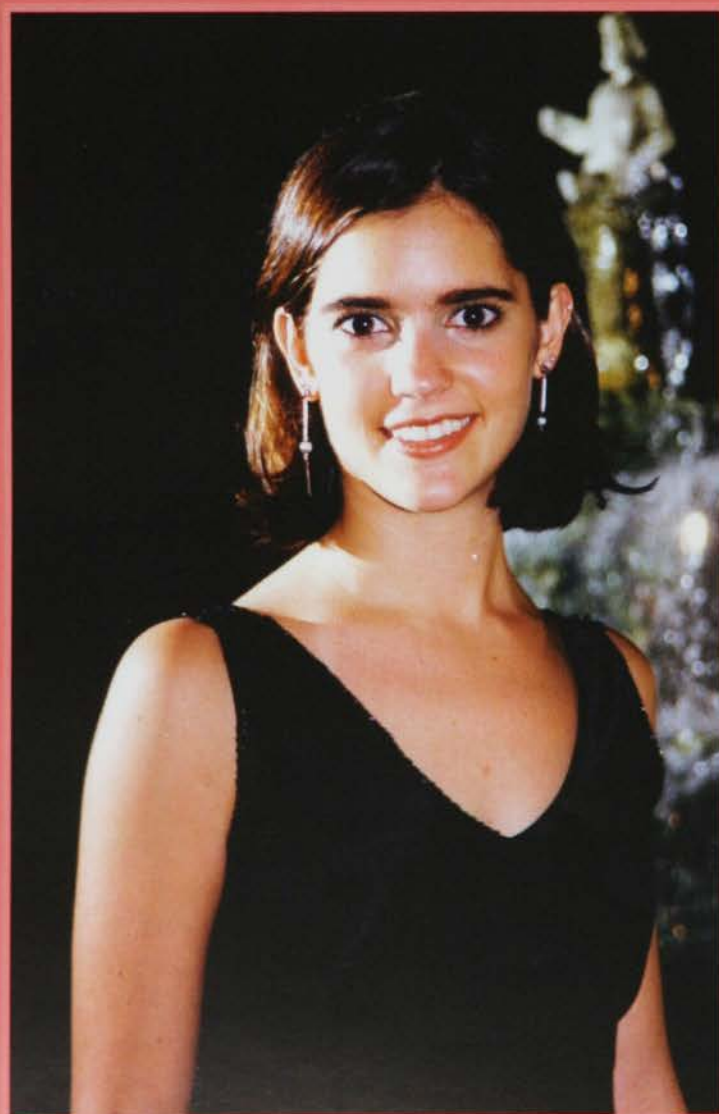
Education is the most valuable asset we can leave for you.

Now, only you with the strong base you have are responsible for your success and your failures.

But be sure that, with this base, common sense, good humor, passion and love for what you do, listening to your heart, faith and hard work, you will achieve whatever you want. No doubt about it.

Now, keep going, look ahead, and be happy.

Your Family, who loves you so much.





MAY 2005 GEORGE WASHINGTON UNIVERSITY NEWS FLASH  
GRADUATING FROM GWU IS AN OUTSTANDING YOUNG MAN  
JOSHUA S. DORFMAN, WHO HAS PROVEN ONCE AGAIN GETTING A'S IS WHAT HE DOES BEST.  
HE IS A GRADUATE FROM THE SCHOOL OF BUSINESS.

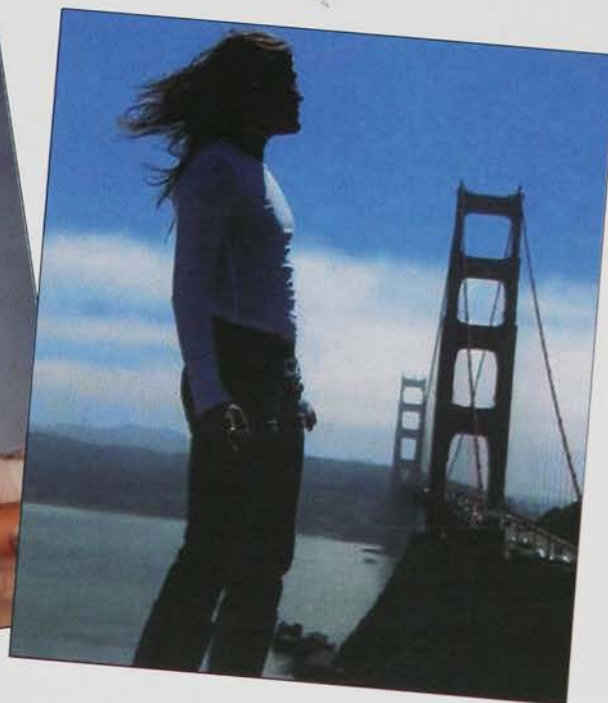
HIP HIP HOORAY

MOM, DAD, BROTHERS MICHAEL, DANIEL, SISTER RACHEL, SISTER-IN-LAW ARIEL, GRANDPA HERBIE, GRANDMAS GLORIA AND ADDIE, AUNT VICK, UNCLE MARTY, UNCLE RICK AND AUNT ROBIN, AUNT SHERRY, UNCLE GEORGE & ALL YOUR COUSINS ALL WISH YOU CONGRATULATIONS ON THIS FINE ACHIEVEMENT.  
LOVE YOU JOSHIE. YOU HAVE MADE US ALL SO PROUD. MOM & DAD



## NICOLE DAWN COZZOLINO

NICK THE QUICK... STILL PICKIN UP SPEED!!



OUR "LITTLE NICK-NICK," NOTHING WILL STOP YOU FROM LIVING YOUR DREAMS AND MAKING ALL WHO KNOW YOU PROUD. YOU'VE ALREADY HANDLED LIFE'S HARDEST BLOWS WITH STRENGTH, COURAGE AND HUMOR. JUST WRITE YOUR OWN TICKET AND FLY, FEELING OUR LOVE BENEATH YOUR WINGS.





Dear Anthony,

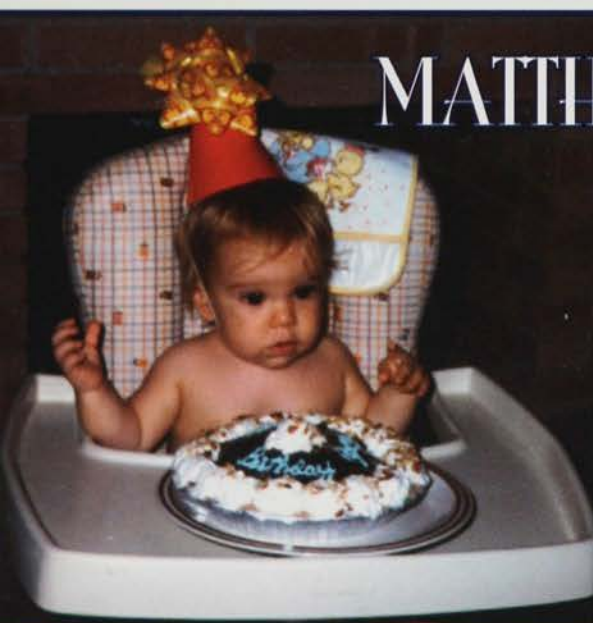
From the moment we first saw you, we knew you were special. Throughout the years, your bright eyes, quick wit, charisma and beautiful smile have never ceased to touch us all.

Your outstanding perseverance and accomplishments have made us prouder than words can ever describe.

From those up above to those of us here with you, we love you and congratulate you and never forget how "high" and how "deep" my love is for you.

# Congratulations!

Love, Mom, Jimmy, Jaclyn, John, Jamie & your Whole Entire Family



## MATTHEW SAMUEL JOSEPH KATZ

GENTLEMAN  
SCHOLAR  
ARTIST  
MUSICIAN  
FRIEND

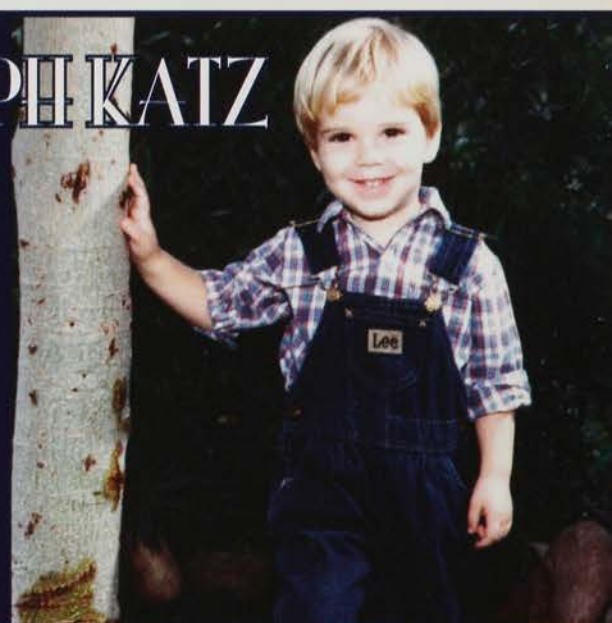
FROM TUCSON - WE LOVED YOU  
MORE THAN LIFE ITSELF; TO SAN  
DIEGO - YOU MADE OUR HOUSE A  
HOME.

FROM SAN FRANCISCO - A MAGICAL  
MYSTERY TOUR; TO ROCHESTER - A  
BUMP IN THE ROAD

FROM D.C. - COUNTERATTACK TO  
THE TEMPLARS; TO N.Y.C. - "T.C.B."

WITH LOVE &  
ADMIRATION

FROM MOM AND THE COLONEL





DEAR STEVEN,

A MAN OF INTEGRITY, DETERMINATION  
AND VISION IS ONE TO BE ADMIRER.

WE ARE SO VERY PROUD OF, AND ADMIRE,  
ALL YOUR ACCOMPLISHMENTS AND LOOK  
FORWARD TO GREAT THINGS FROM YOU IN  
THE FUTURE.

THE BEST IS YET TO COME!

LOVE,  
MOM, DAD & AMY

CONGRATULATIONS,  
SHAKTI!

WE LOVE YOU & ARE VERY PROUD OF YOU!

MAY GOD BLESS YOU!

DAD, MOM AND ETTA





# CONGRATULATIONS, CHELSEA!!!

On your graduation from  
GEORGE WASHINGTON UNIVERSITY

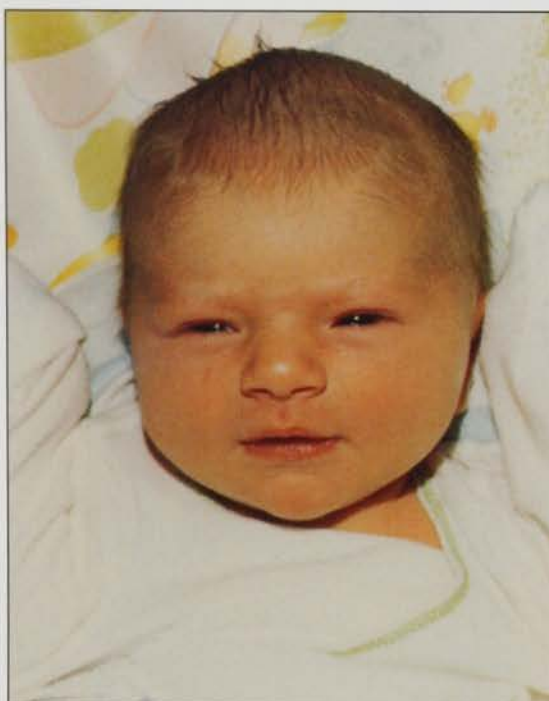
All our best wishes now and always.

We are extremely proud of you  
and love you very much.

Love,

Mom, Dad

Aliza, Kaelyn, and Shaina



"Oh how lovely to fly."

"I'll teach you how to jump the wind's back, and then away we go. You just think lovely wonderful thoughts," Peter explained, "and they lift you up in the air." "Look at me!" Up and down they went, and round and round. Heavenly was Wendy's word.

Tinkerbell thought she could get well again if children believed in fairies. Peter addressed all who might be dreaming of the Neverland. "Do you believe?" he cried. "If you believe," he shouted to them, "clap your hands." Tinkerbell fancied she heard answers in the affirmative. They clapped, and she was saved.



EVAN...

You have always been a light in our lives.

We have confidence and enthusiasm for all that you do.

We wish you much luck, success and happiness for the rest of your life.

"Dream on"

We Love You

Mom, Dad and Jason







Maybe it's  
time to drop  
the name,  
"AMERS," as  
you've grown  
into a beautiful  
responsible  
adult! We can't  
wait to see what  
happens next!  
With all our love,  
Mom and Dad



## DEAR BEN, GRANT AND MATT, THE GEORGE WASHINGTON BOYS



YOU HAVE CROSSED ANOTHER OCEAN,  
YOU HAVE CLIMBED ANOTHER MOUNTAIN,  
YOU HAVE REACHED ANOTHER HEIGHT,  
AND  
YOU HURDELED THE FINISH LINE!!!!!!!!!!!!

CONGRATULATIONS TO THE BEST ROOMATES AND FRIENDS AT G-DUBS  
CLASS OF 2005

WE ARE ALL SO VERY PROUD OF YOU...

WE WISH YOU ALL THE BEST AND MAY SUCCESS, HAPPINESS, AND GOOD HEALTH,  
FOLLOW YOU ALL THE DAYS OF YOUR LIFE... HATS OFF TO THE THREE AMIGOS!!!

LOVE ELAINE, MICHAEL, STEFANIE AND MATT WEINMAN OF 2005





*Dear Alexandra,  
Congratulations on a wonderfully  
successful college experience.  
We are all so proud of you  
Mummy, Dad, Justin and Ashley*

## Our Beloved Maria Macarena:

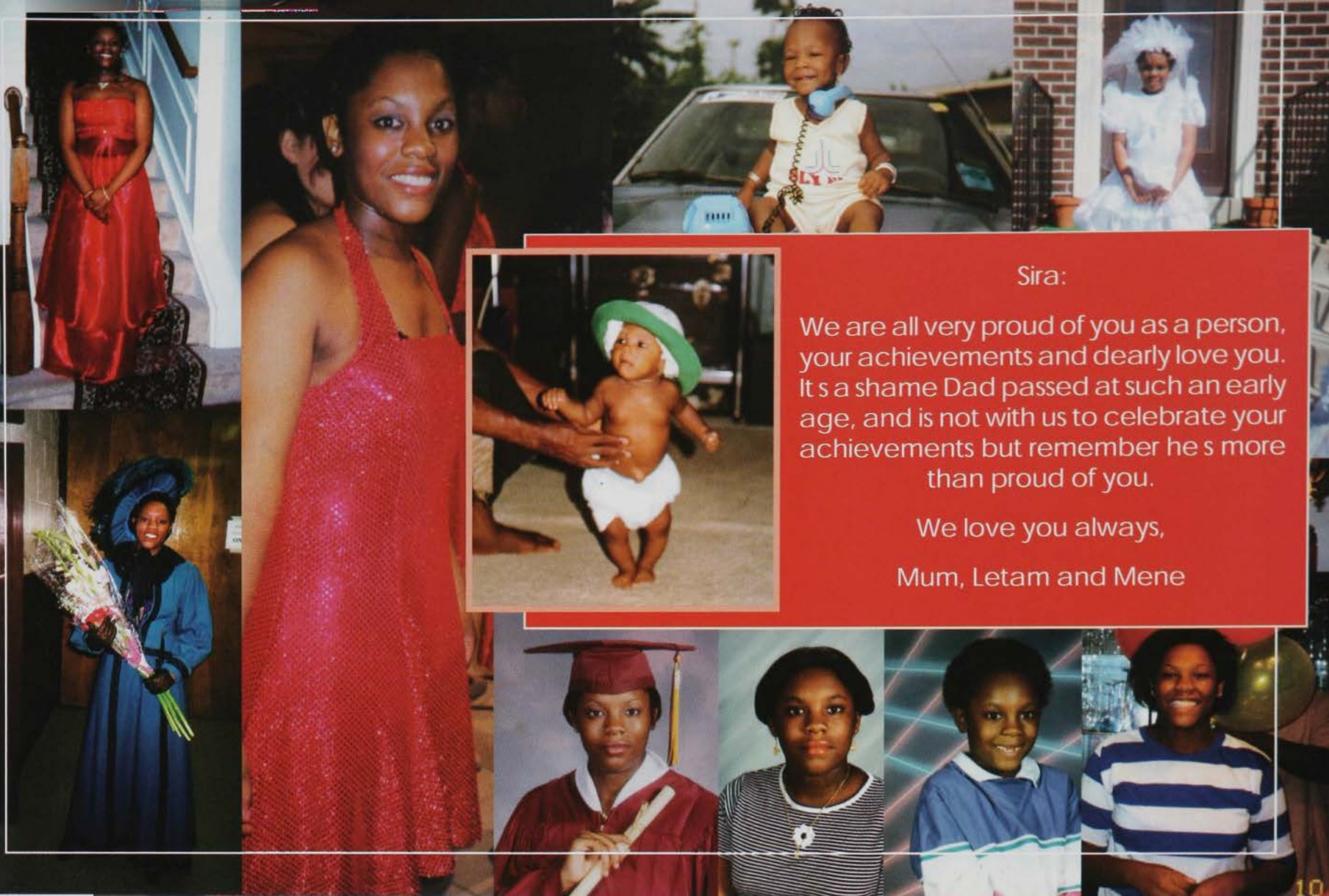
A long and wonderful journey has ended, a beautiful and more challenging journey is starting. We are extremely proud of you and of the sensitivity, courage and intuition with which you face every single aspect of your life.

Mumi, serás siempre nuestro tesoro y te queremos un montón.

Sebastián, Mamá y Papá







Sira:

We are all very proud of you as a person, your achievements and dearly love you. It's a shame Dad passed at such an early age, and is not with us to celebrate your achievements but remember he's more than proud of you.

We love you always,  
Mum, Letam and Mene

### A Tribute to My Son Matthew David D'Alessio

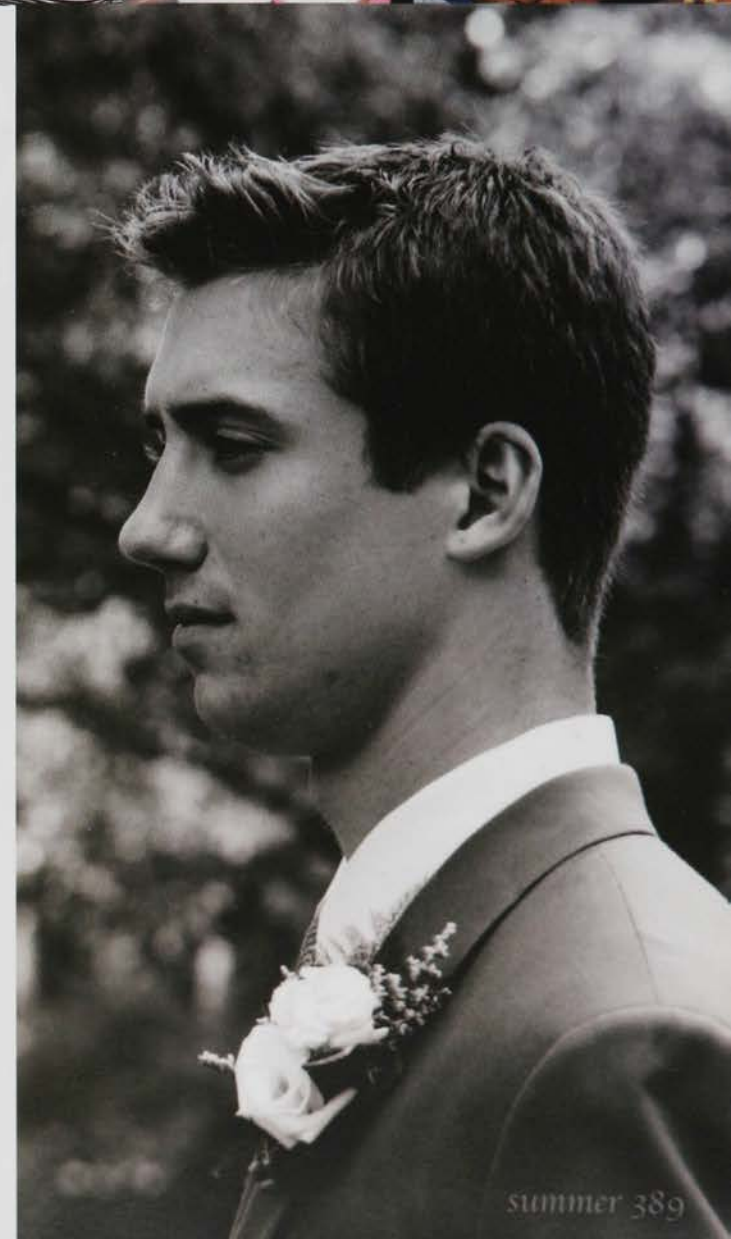
Capable. That is the word that often comes to mind when I think of my son as a whole, as a person, as a young man. For twenty-two years, since the minute he was born from his mother's womb, on through to today, Matthew has always naturally demonstrated being very capable.

During the early years, he was simply happy, content and pleasant baby in pursuit of all that life had to offer. As my son grew into a toddler, he demonstrated great capability with balanced and focused physical skills. He attested to being a very talented athlete in many sports. Throughout his boyhood and the completion of his college degree, he has proven to be a capable academic.

One area of which I am most proud of my son is his demonstration of a high level of capability of being respectful to people of all walks of life and in all types of situations. Matthew shows sincere respect for my new wife, his step sister and extended family even though the situation was new and not of his making. I am always impressed when I get the opportunity to watch him interact with others.

Mathew demonstrates these capabilities not in attempt to "prove" who he is, he simply acts and performs in the "way" he is. And I love him dearly for all that he is.

With much pride, your Dad





CONGRATULATIONS  
CLASS OF 2005

# REBECCA HORWITZ

We are proud of you!

Keep up your work of tikkun-o-lam

Carpe(t) diem! We Love You.



## CONGRATULATIONS, AMI! GWU Class of 2005 WINNERS NEVER QUIT.



**Keep running after your goals!**

To our "Ambudi"

We never had a doubt that when you left for Washington, you were setting out to do amazing things.  
Four years later, you have emerged as a confident leader with a bold and determined spirit.

**Wishing you success in the Peace Corps in Africa  
and in all of your future endeavors!**

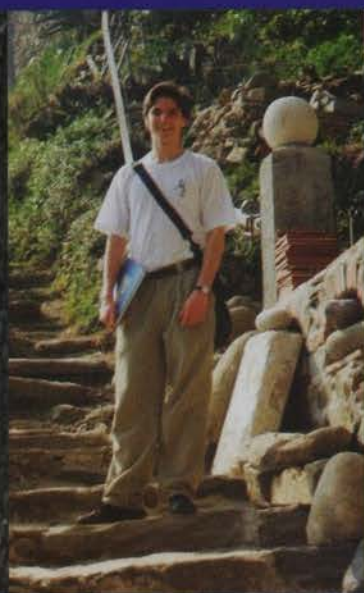
**With best wishes and lots of love from Aai, Daddy, & Amol**



# ARTHUR ANDREW ROWBOTHAM 2005 CONGRATULATIONS, ART!

WE ARE SO VERY PROUD OF YOU AND THE PERSON YOU HAVE BECOME. YOU HAVE ALWAYS TAKEN THE "PATH LESS TRAVELED BY." KEEP THE FAITH AND STAND STRONG FOR WHAT YOU BELIEVE.

LOVE, MOM, DAD, ERIN, BEN AND GRANDMA



## *Christina Theresa Trotta*

*Chrissy----*

**Congratulations on your graduation from GW!!!!**

We are so very proud of you and all your accomplishments. It has been a joy to watch you develop into the lovely young woman you have become and we feel blessed to be your parents. We love you and wish you a future full of health, happiness and success.

Just remember, wherever you go, whatever you do, you'll always have our love and support. We know you're going to have a wonderful future.

**Good Luck in Law School!**

Always,  
Mom, Dad and Frankie





To Lori Krellenstein, A Wonderful Daughter and Sister

# CONGRATULATIONS!

The road ahead is filled with endless opportunities. Welcome them into your life. Just know that we will always be there for you. We wish you health, happiness, laughter and success.

Love Always, Mom, Dad, Niki and Peaches



## WE'RE SO PROUD OF YOU. YASMIN!

*MOMMY'S PRIDE & JOY ~ DADDY'S GIRL ~ LET'S SWITCH T-SHIRTS & MAKE OUR PARENTS GO CRAZY. HEHE.*



*SISTERS & FRIENDS 4-EVER ~ WE LOVE YOU, YAS*

## CONGRATULATIONS YASMIN!

*IT'S BEEN A JOY TO WATCH YOU GROW INTO THE STRONG AND COURAGEOUS WOMAN YOU ARE TODAY. WE'VE ADMIRERD YOUR ACCOMPLISHMENTS, AND YOU'VE ALWAYS MADE US SO PROUD.*

*WE SAY "CONGRATULATIONS" TODAY... AND MAY YOUR FUTURE BE FILLED WITH REASONS FOR US TO SAY IT AGAIN AND AGAIN.*

*WITH LOVE FROM YOUR FAMILY.*





# Cameron

You did it!  
We're very proud of you.

Love, Dad, Mom,  
Ed, Pammy, Grandma and Grandpa



Catherine J Lahovski  
**CONGRATULATIONS**

We're all proud of you!  
Mom, Dad, Chrissy,  
Joey, Johnny & Carly





May 22, 2005

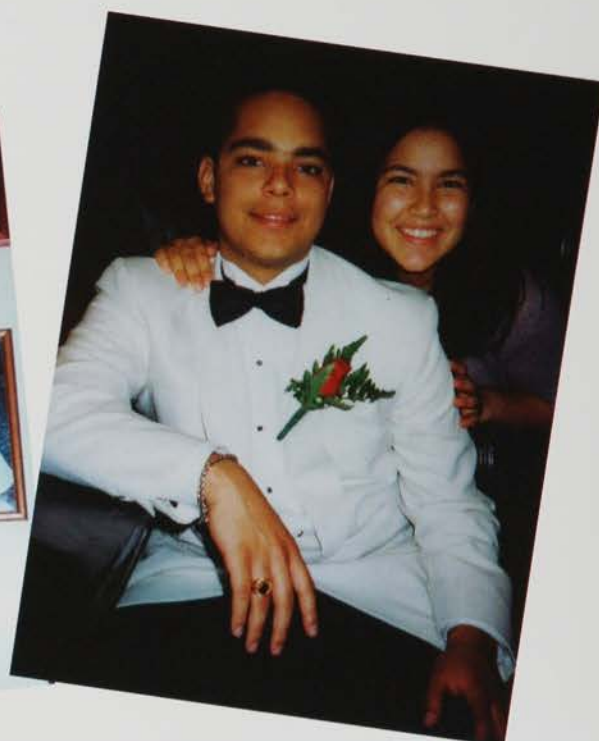
Dear Alex;

I feel so blessed in having a brother like you, who is always there for me in my moments of need with the right advice and that loving caring way of yours which has a way of setting my mind and person at ease.

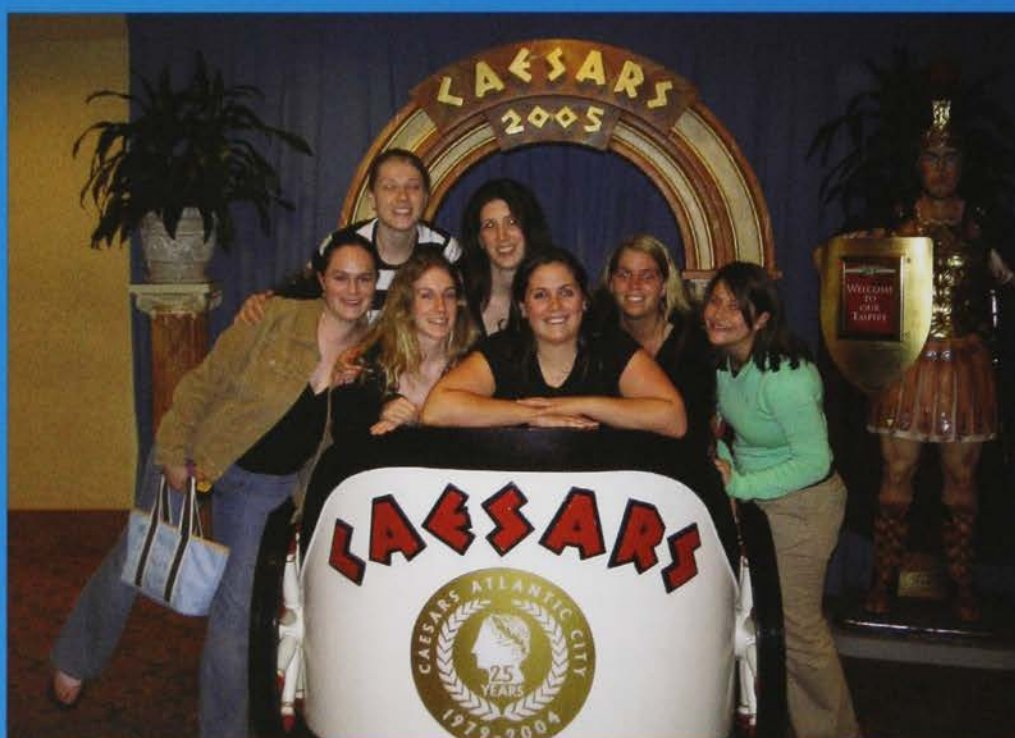
But enough said about me, this is your day. You have certainly left some big shoes for me to fill. I want to wish you all of the happiness and success that you so richly deserved.

Wow! I am so proud of you.

With all my love, Erika



## Congratulations to the Seniors of ΑΔΠ!



What an awesome time we had!

Autumn, Corina, Crissy, Genia, Jessica, Kaitlin, Katie, Sasha, Stephanie,  
congratulations to you all!

L&L~Erin





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**"YOUR POSSIBILITIES ARE ENDLESS  
& SO IS OUR LOVE FOR YOU!"**

**WE ARE SO PROUD OF YOU, ELIZABETH! LOVE, MOM, DAD & JESS**



**Dear Sonal,**

**With love in your heart, fire in your belly, and kick in your stride,  
today you cross one finish line. We are so proud!**

**Congratulations on the strong runner, engineer, environmentalist, world  
traveler & beautiful young woman you have become. Good luck on the  
course ahead.**

**Keep running after your dreams & blazing new trails. Remember, "be the  
change you wish to see in the world."**

**Love,**

**Dad, Mom & Neal**





# Congratulations Lana,



We Love You

(Lollypop!)

Mama, Dad & Zina



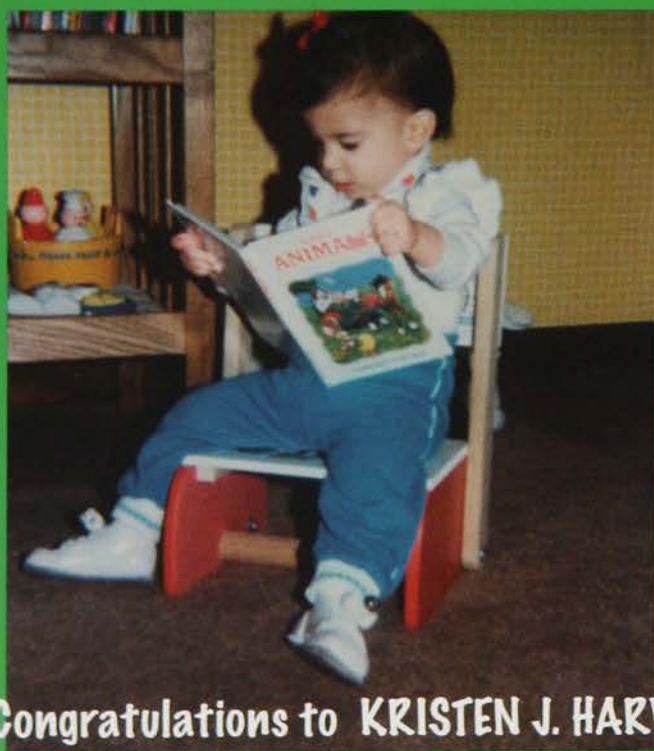
chris,

mark twain gave good advice: "twenty years from now you will be more disappointed by the things that you didn't do than by the ones you did do. so throw off the bowlines. sail away from the safe harbor. catch the trade winds in your sails. explore. dream. discover."

we love you, mom & dad



"No need for a bedtime story, Mom and Dad,  
I'm reading the G.W. Business Magazine!"



Congratulations to KRISTEN J. HARVEY,  
on a wonderful four years!

Much Love,  
Dad, Mom & Ryan

## ANGELITA M. RENTERIA



We are so proud of you  
**CONGRATULATIONS**  
on your graduation.  
We Love You.

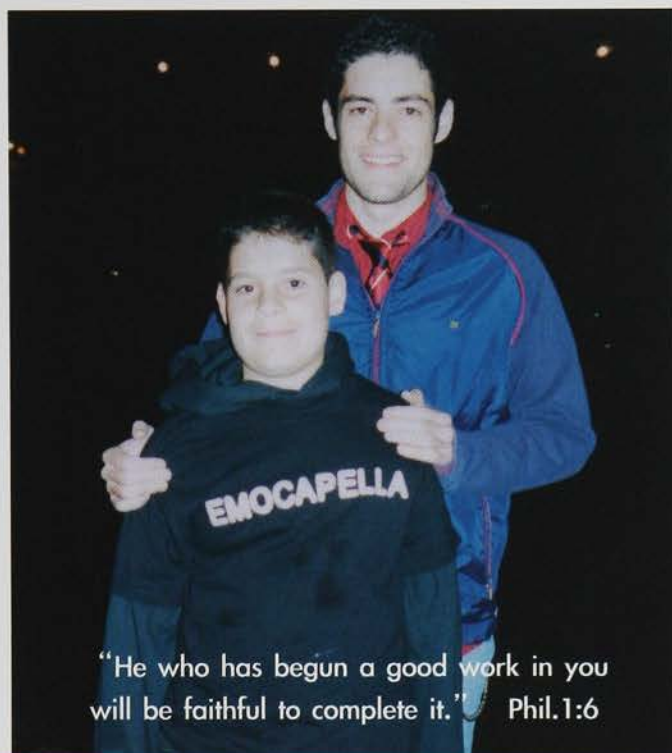


# Congratulations! Mike Menelli

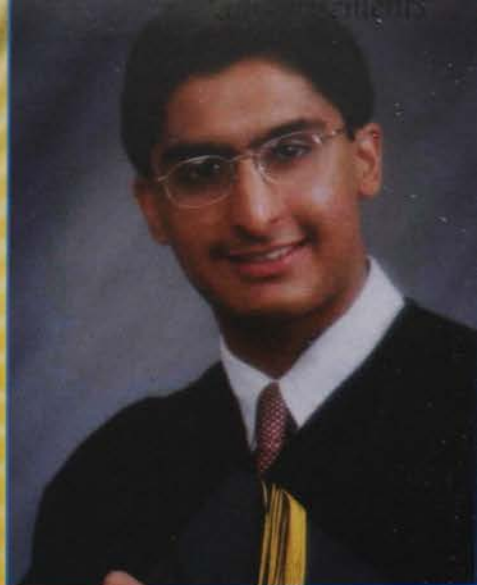
G.W. Class of 2005

We are so proud and blessed  
To have you as our son and big brother.  
You are a true leader with a big heart!

Love, Mom, Dad, Annemarie and Danny



"He who has begun a good work in you  
will be faithful to complete it." Phil.1:6



*Dearest Gurpreet,  
You make us  
so proud of  
your many  
accomplishments.  
YOU R THE BEST  
Luv,  
Mom, Dad, Nannu  
& Shonu  
"2005"*

*"My Oh! My, How Time Flies  
When Your Having Fun"*

*All those "long" hours at  
the library and "hard" work,  
paid off... Congratulations!!!  
Best Wishes for much  
Happiness and Success in  
the future.*

*We Love You, God Bless,  
Tití Carmen, Sonía, Liz, Ray & Family*

## ARIEL MAYA LELCHOOK

We congratulate you on all of your  
accomplishments as we celebrate this special  
time in your life. You are an intelligent,  
caring, articulate, wonderful individual who  
gives us great joy. May you find happiness and  
success as you climb the summits in your life.



*We love you.  
Mom, Dad,  
Noah, Sari, Savta, Bubbi, Grandpa & Karen*





To most of us the future seems unsure; but then it always has been; and we who have seen great changes must have great hopes.

John Masefield (1878-1967)

Trina, You are the realization of Hope! xox m&d



To: Stephanie Caccomo

With Love From: Jenny, Tony, Mom, George, Dad & Smokey

We are so very proud of you! You have so many great memories from your college years at G.W. - Alpha Delta Pi, the "Vern", Capitol Hill. DOJ, Live Aid 2005, Latees, T.G.I Fridays, many great friends, late nights writing research papers and/or partying,..... We know the future holds many more wonderful experiences for you. We wish you much joy, happiness and love.



DEAR ALANNA,

YOU'VE COME A LONG WAY, BABY!

WE KNEW YOU COULD DO IT!

YOU GO, GIRL!

CONGRATULATIONS!

LOVE,

MOM, DAD,

MATTHEW & CHRISTOPHER

CONGRATULATIONS DANIEL!

We are very proud of you and your achievements. These last 4 years sure have flown. May your future be filled with love, happiness and success. Best of luck to you in all your endeavors.

Love Mom and Dad

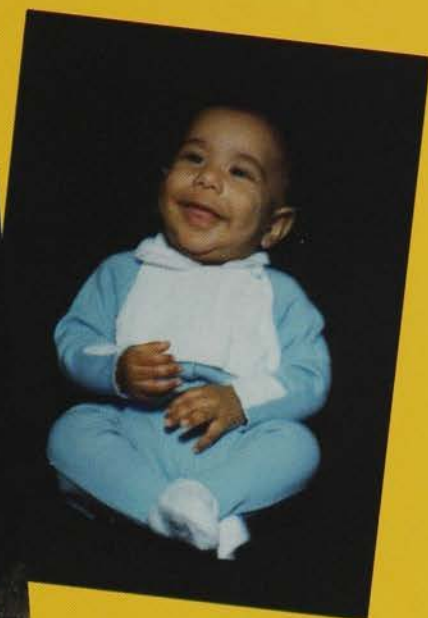
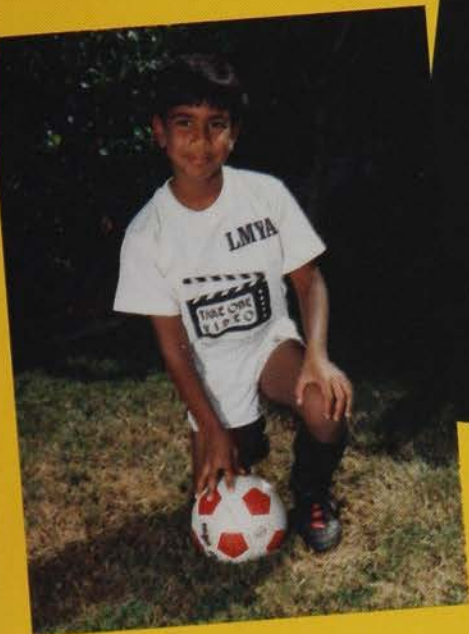




**Congratulations Suraj!** You have come a long way to this point in life. You have been an adorable child and outgoing sportsman. No wonder you chose to major in Exercise Science. Wish you the best of health and success in life and in the professional career you choose.

Loving,

Mom and Dad



To Our Amanda,

We loved teaching you things when you were a little girl, but you didn't know how much we were learning from you at the same time. Seeing your reactions to the world and listening to your fresh new outlooks surprised and delighted us. We knew you were very special

Amanda, your approach to life has always been Bold, Complex and Bursting with love. Whether it was singing in a school play, writing a term paper or making calabacitas, your enthusiasm was infectious and entertaining.

Developing from a child to a young adult, your growth has been a constant inspiration to your parents, family and friends. As you continue to aspire to your goals know that we will continue to offer our love and support.

Love You. Mom and Dad



It's time to celebrate!!

## CONGRATULATIONS RIK STEVENS

We are truly proud of your hard work and many outstanding accomplishments at GW over the past 3 1/2 years. You have grown and matured in many wonderful ways and we have been truly blessed

to have you as a son and brother. Our love and desire for God's best go with you now. Holding you close in our hearts.

Dad, Mom,  
& Britt



**TO OUR GRANDDAUGHTER  
LORI KRELLENSTEIN**

**BEST OF LUCK ON GRADUATION.  
WE ARE VERY PROUD OF YOU.**

**ALL OUR LOVE,  
NANA, PAPA AND GRANDPA**



NADINE CANDICE DUNCAN  
OUR QUEEN  
FROM DIAPERS TO COLLEGE GRAD

W – WITTY  
O – OUTSTANDING  
N – NEAT  
D – DELIGHTFUL  
E – EXTRA SPECIAL  
R – RADIANT  
F – FUN  
U – UNBEATABLE  
L – LOVED VERY MUCH



SHOW YOURSELF IN ALL RESPECT A MODEL OF GOOD  
DEEDS, AND IN YOUR TEACHING SHOW INTEGRITY, GRAVITY,  
SINCERITY... TITUS 2:7

YOU HAVE GROWN INTO A BEAUTIFUL  
YOUNG LADY. YOU'VE GOT IT ALL.  
"I LOVE YOU, AND I'M PROUD OF YOU."

MOMMY

"MA!"

"DAD!"

"That was GREAT!"

"How 'bout another Four Years?"



With all our Love and Support  
...(but no more cash)...Ma & Dad

*Influencing the ones you love by  
setting an example through education...*



*Cousin: Matthew Stockert  
GWU Graduate Student: Heather Struck*

A WHISPER

LOVE COMES IN A WHISPER

QUIETLY AND CALMLY STOPPING THE STORM OF FEARS

A GENTLE VOICE THAT SOOTHES THE ROAR OF PASSING TIME

A SILENT SMILE VIEWED TO WILL AWAY THE DOUBT

THIS WHISPER HAS STRENGTH FAR BEYOND A LOUD VOICE

IT WHISPERS SELF-ASSURANCE

DON'T WORRY, THIS VOICE WHISPERS, I'LL BE FINE

I HAVE A MOUNTAIN TO CLIMB AND WITH A WHISPER I'LL FIND THE TOP

SUCCESS IS DISTANT BUT GETTING CLOSER AS THE WHISPER GETS

STRONGER AND WISER

I'VE CLIMBED THE MOUNTAIN, BUT WAIT; THERE'S THE SKY, MORE MOUNTAINS

WHISPERS, WHAT IF?

WHISPERS YES, IT CAN BE DONE

I'LL LEARN, I'LL WAIT

MY TIME WILL COME



TARA, YOU ARE THAT WHISPER  
WE LOVE YOU SO,000,000 MUCH, OUR SUNSHINE  
MOM, DAD & JARRAD





DEAR SAMIR,  
CONGRATULATIONS!  
& WISH YOU  
BEST OF LUCK!!

Jenni

The future belongs to you!

Reach for the stars!

We are very proud of you  
and all your accomplishments.

Way to go, girl!!!!!!

We love you.

Dad, Mom, Tedd, and Charlie



Love, Snickers

WITH LOVE:  
AAJI, SOHIL,  
MOM & DAD

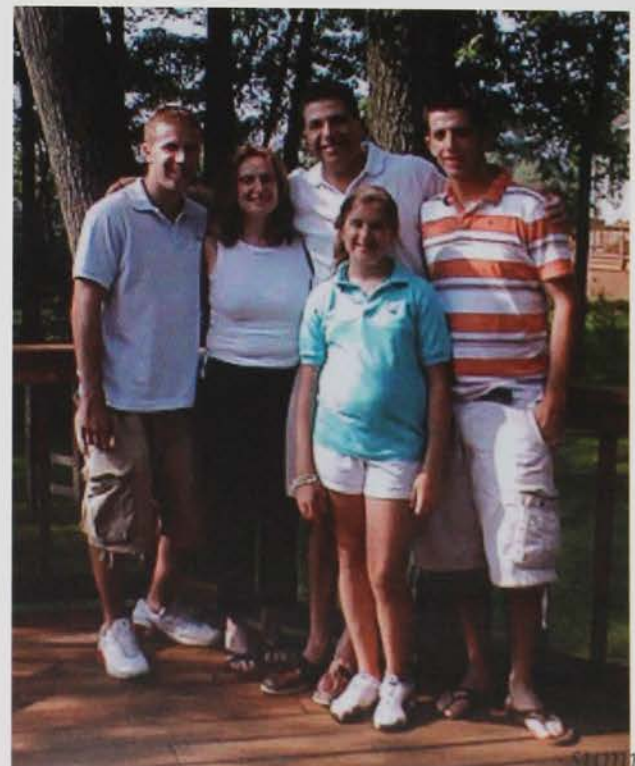


Dear Mike:

We are so proud of your accomplishments  
and wish your future to be filled with much  
love, happiness and success.

All our love,

Mom, Dad, Matt and Gaby



CONGRATULATIONS  
VANESSA

We are proud of you  
With Love,  
Mom, Dad, Nicholas  
Michael & Gregory





Cindy, CHEERS!

To a job well done!

Best wishes in all your future endeavors.

Love,  
Mom & Dad  
Ali & Rachael

Dear Claudia, Words can't possibly express how much we love you and how proud of you we are! You have finally reached the end of your formal education and have done it with the same thirst for knowledge and determination to succeed that you have exhibited since your first days of kindergarten. Always retain those important qualities and never stop learning, because when you stop learning, you stop growing as a person. May you have a brilliant career as an Interior Designer and wake up every morning happy to be doing something that you love! God Bless You with Good Health, Much Happiness, Continued Success and Lots of Love all the days of your life. Congratulations to our College Graduate with Honors! Love Always, Dad, Mom and Alexandra



For Meghan Locker -

From the precious, curly haired baby to the beautiful, smart and caring woman you've become, it has been a journey we wouldn't have missed for anything! You are the daughter and niece every parent and aunt dreams of having and we are so blessed that you are ours! We are so proud of you!



So follow every one of your dreams! Never look back! And always know that our love goes with you!

Love, Mom, Dad and Auntie Mae

**One of the most fulfilling joys about being a parent is seeing your child succeed - Nicole, you have been a source of pride for all of us. Congratulations**



**We love you  
Mom, Dad &  
Adam**

*Dan*

*We are incredibly proud of you and  
your accomplishments.*

*More to come.*

*Mom, Dad, Matt, Steve*

Dear Lindsay,

You've come a long way baby! Watching you mature into a fine young woman has been one of life's joys. Wishing you good luck, good health, happiness, and a future that is as bright as your smile. Congratulations on your graduation, and may all your dreams come true!

We love you so much,  
Mom, Dad, and Grandma



He reaches for the stars and does not stop until his goals and dreams are achieved. That is our son, Harris Michael Markowitz. We are so proud and honored to be your parents. We know that you will always climb to the highest plateau to be successful - not only in your upcoming job, but in all your future endeavors. We love you very much and wish you, at this graduation time, only good luck and most of

all, happiness in all you do. Nanny and Boppie would be so proud of you. You deserve the best in life because you have earned it. Love, Mom, Dad, Corey and Alex

*Congratulations Raymond F. Miller!*

*We are so proud of all your hard work and achievements at GW! Always remember that success in life is measured by the lives that you touch and change. You've made a difference in our lives since that day that you were born. Continue to grow, love and make a difference in today's world. We are in awe of the man that you have become.*

*Love Always,  
Mom and Dad - Krystal too!*





Adam I. Nadel  
Aerospace Engineer

Congratulations Adam,  
for making your  
dream come true.  
WE'RE PROUD OF YOU

With all our love,  
Mom, Dad, Erica,  
Grandpa, Gloria, Doreen,  
and Bowz



Corin,  
You have blazed your own trail and made it  
work. Your convictions and determination  
have taken you into the other hemispheres  
and back. You have dared to break the mold  
in many ways. We have watched, perhaps  
not in silence but in the end in awe, and  
are so proud of you. Congratulations on  
another milestone reached.  
With much love, Mum and Dad.



Congratulations  
Lindsey Novom!!

Keep reaching for  
the stars!

Love,  
Mom & Dad

**RUTH J. NISNEWITZ**

**Best wishes for the  
happiest and brightest of  
futures  
Love always  
Mom, Dad and Michael**

**SCOTT J. MARGOLIS**

Dear Scott,  
These four years at GW have flown by so quickly- it's truly surreal that  
your wonderful college experience has come to a close --and now great  
things await you.

As you enter this new chapter,  
Learn more as you take the world into your hands. Do it passionately  
and leave your handprints throughout your journey.  
Scott, life is full of expectations - go out there and do something  
remarkable. We are so very proud of you and all of your wonderful  
accomplishments. Just know whatever you do, do it with all your heart.  
CONGRATULATIONS TO YOU AND CLASS OF 2005 SCHOOL OF  
BUSINESS

OUR LOVE, MOM, DAD, LINDSAY, AND YOUR ENTIRE FAMILY

Dear Sahar  
We are so proud of you and your accomplishments. Keep it up.  
Love you  
Mom, Sanam & Farzad



Chris - Congratulations!!  
We are so proud of  
you - of all you have  
accomplished in your four  
years at GW and, especially,  
of the very special person  
you are. We wish you  
every success and happiness  
in life.  
Love, Mom, Dad, Lissa,  
and Craig



**Congratulations  
Meredith!**

**Lolly's proud of you  
and so are we!**

**We love you,  
Mom, Dad and Rachel**







Diana,  
CONGRATULATIONS

Always remember that we are very happy for you and we send you our best wishes for the future.

Love always,  
Mom, Dad, Johnny, Danny and Joey

Kate, may your world ahead be filled with all the joy, excitement and love you bring to ours. A poem excerpt from you great grandmother Minerva, "A tiny grain of quiet in the mind is like a precious jewel of great cost; embedded there and growing richer, still, oh never sell, or let that grain be lost."

Congratulations and much love to you always.

Love, Mom and Dad



Congratulations, Jaclyn Perlman, on your graduation from the Elliot School of International Affairs and Development. You have accomplished so much in the past four years. Treasure the memories. You should be very proud; I know we are. Now it's time to move onto the next chapter of your life. The door is wide open; the world is waiting. Take

what you need, give what you can, make your dreams come true! Whatever you do, success will follow. Enjoy life! Be happy! Love, Mom, Dad, Lindsay, Sean and the entire family



Thomas J.J. Scazzafavo

22 years ago, God blessed this family  
With a tiny blue-eyed baby boy.  
Tammy, ever since you were born  
You've brought us such happiness and joy!

Who could've imagined the memories we'd share  
As our little boy grew up to be a man,  
From Ghostbusters, to soccer games, to college graduation,  
Our pride in you - maybe one day you'll understand.

Soon the whole world will be able to experience, at last,  
The strength and beauty we all see in you.  
The integrity and courage, the intensity and humor -  
It's time to make all your plans and dreams come true!

So now begins the next chapter of your life, Son  
Accomplish all you've prepared so long and hard to do.  
Wherever you are, remember deep in your heart,  
Your God and your family are only a prayer away from you.

Love, Grama Flo, Granpa Jim, Gigi, Troy and Mom

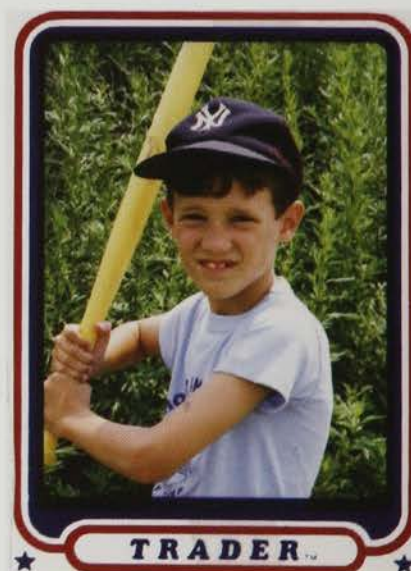


~ KEATING SIMONS, B.B.A.,  
TOURISM AND HOSPITALITY MANAGEMENT  
MAY 20, 2005 ~

Keating: Congratulations on a job well done! You have been determined; you have worked hard; you have graduated from George Washington University in great form. May you go from success to success. All our love,  
Mom and Dad, Allie and Julia

**Steven Propper**

**You are on your way and may success follow your footsteps, wherever life leads you.**



From Cradle to College...  
From Lullabies to Law School...  
You will always be our Little Shaina!

We are so very proud of you and your accomplishments.  
"May you go from strength to strength"

We love you,  
Mommy and Daddy (and Muffin)



Congratulations Aaron and the Class of 2005!



We are so proud of you and all your accomplishments.  
Love from Mom, Dad, and Elise



From the very first day, settling into HOVA, to graduation at The Ellipse, what a wonderfully rich journey GW has been for you. Congratulations, Marilyn, on all that you have learned and accomplished. We are very proud of you.

With much love,  
Mom, Dad, Brad,  
Butterscotch &  
Dillon



## Yamit Taragan

Congratulations, Yamit! We are so proud of you and all your accomplishments! Follow your dreams...you can do anything! Wishing you a future filled with health, happiness, and success!

We love you so much!

Emma, Abba, Maayan, and Afek



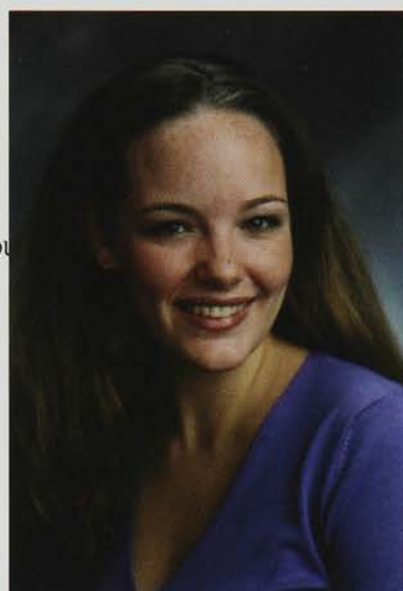
Megan Rice  
Class of 2005

Congratulations! You did it!

Words cannot express how proud we are of you and all you have accomplished.

All our love and  
congratulations!

Mom & David  
Nancy, Rick & Ryan  
Maryellen, Greg & Brendan  
Kristen, Patrick & Caitlin



**Congratulations Andreas,  
As another adventure on  
your life's journey begins,  
remember that we will always  
be there for you. We are so  
proud of you Andreas.**

**Love you,  
Mom, Dad, and Ari**

*DANIELLE R. SMYLA*  
*Congratulations Danielle, we are  
very proud of the person you are and  
all that you have accomplished.*  
*Love,*  
*Dad, Mom, Lauren and Jen*

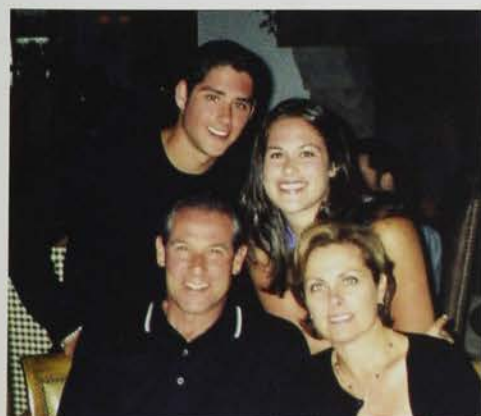
Dear Deena,  
How time has flown! Here you are graduating from college!! It seems like yesterday that we were in DC for the first time at CI for orientation.

You have given us so many mood swings during this time! From crying when we left you for the first time to cheering you on at a Lacrosse game; to giving you encouragement to get through a class or a presentation. Every step of the way you have made us proud of you and your accomplishments! It is such an honor to see our little girl graduate from GW.

Your hard work has really paid off! We wish for you a future filled with success, happiness, love, and friendship, you deserve it all!! The world awaits you...



Congratulations! We love you, Mom, Dad & Danny



Congratulations Danielle.  
We are so proud of you!  
Always follow your dreams.  
With love and  
determination, nothing is  
impossible.  
All our love,  
Mom, Dad and Jason



Congratulations Seth!  
Love, Mom, Dad and Rachel





*Christie,*

*We love you, no matter what.*

*Mom & Dad*

Dear Leon,  
As you exit the "Gates" of GW to enter to "Wall Street" & the "City", we want you to know that we are proud of you as a student, as a professional and above all as a person...  
You are "The Incredible"  
We love you,  
Sandra, Daniel, Denise & Marcos



Dearest Henna (Billey),

"We know that you have the potential to be an Indian actress but have not been discovered yet!"

Love,  
Mom & Dad



**Congratulations to Emily Aronoff  
And her fabulous friends at GW!**

**We are so proud of you...**

**Love, Mom, Dad, Dan,  
Sniffles & Rosie**



Darling Dana,  
You make us laugh,  
you bring warmth to  
our hearts and a smile  
to our faces. May  
all your hopes and  
dreams come true.  
Our love is  
unconditional.  
All our love always  
Mom & Dad, Jenni,  
Sandor, Loren,  
Michael, Abby,  
Christina and Fatty

Dear Marisa,

We're giving you  
a standing ovation  
for all you've  
accomplished.  
You've taken  
another big step toward your dream  
and we're very proud of you!!!

All our love,  
Dad, Mom, Jullian, & Jasper



**JONATHAN DERMER**

**YOU DID IT!!!**

**CONGRATULATIONS ON  
YOUR ACHIEVEMENTS.  
CONGRATULATIONS ON  
YOUR GRADUATION.**

**WE LOVE YOU,  
MOM AND DAD  
(YOUR BIGGEST  
SUPPORTER)**

To our son,  
Edward Giannaros  
(the Tavli-Backgammon Champion)

Congratulations on  
your graduation!

We're so proud of you.  
Now, go and conquer  
your dreams!

With love,  
Mom, Dad & Jason







*Congratulations Matt!*  
*Job well done!*  
*We are very proud of you.*  
*All our love,*  
*Mom, Dad,*  
*Katie & Mark*

David,

You have brightened our lives and given us many reasons to be proud of you. Your open and kind heart has touched many lives in a special way. As you continue in life, your caring, strong ideals and hard work will ensure a bright future.

We love you,  
 Mama, Papa, Alex, Becca, Rudy,  
 Corey and Cane



**Dearest Samantha,**  
**Congratulations! We're so proud of you.**  
**By George, this is something to celebrate!**

**With all our love,**  
**Mummy, Dad,**  
**Vanessa, Jackie & Max**

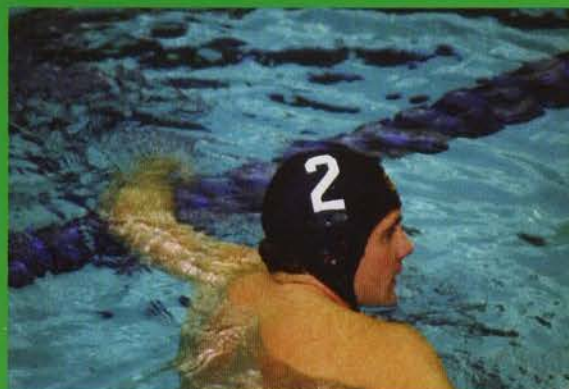
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**Danielle Nicole, words can not do justice to the joy, and pride we feel. Your achievements in the past, present and future bless our family, as we are reminded each day of how proud we are of you. Keep following your dreams Dani and we will not be far behind.**

**With all our Love and Pride**  
**Dad, Mom, and Josh**



**Congratulations, Nick.**  
**We are so proud of you and hope that your future will be as bright as your years at GW.**  
**Dad, Mom, Cory, Kurt and Christy**



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*Lucy Katanos*



*Always love and proud!*  
*Mom and Dad*

To the original Brian W. Levor (BTG):

Our hearts are filled with pride today  
 As you graduate GW and go on your way  
 To amazing heights; let the Earth and Moon  
 Be your guide to the future that goes  
 Beyond the stars.

We love you so much!!  
 Mom & Dad





# *The Cherry Tree 2004-2005*



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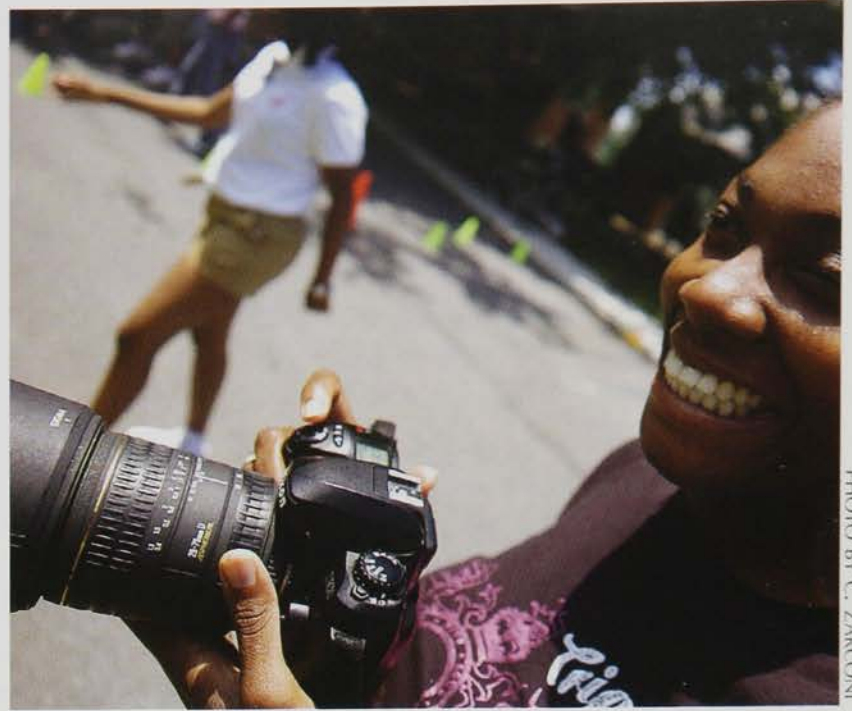


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Despite it leading to more late-night ejections from the Marvin Center than any GW student should admit to, my experience with the 2005 Cherry Tree has been a rewarding one, mostly due to the fantastic people I have had the pleasure to work with. So, thank you all around! To Liz, Devin and Autumn, whose hard work kept me motivated. To Meghan, the only person who I was always able to see in the CT office at 9 AM, class at 2 PM and the Gelman basement at 5 AM and shake my head at in utter disgust. We are definitely kindred spirits in our workaholicism slash caffeine dependency! To Vanessa, Christina and Mike, thanks for your help with copy and your general fabulousness. To Blair, I appreciate your patience with my belligerent e-mails and last-minute requests! To Jon, I cannot thank you enough for taking care of all the editing and shooting that I demanded of you. Even when orgs failed to grace us with their presence or provided us with pictures from a camera phone, you kept your cool and did a great job. You are going to make an excellent photo editor! To LaRocque, thank you for your diligence in securing rooms, appointments and putting up with a whole lot of whining. To Zarconi, you are an excellent mentor and the staff was lucky to have you! To Erin, I have so much respect for you and the work you have done this year. I know that this will be said a multitude of times, but there would be no book without your constant effort and attention to even the slightest detail. Best of luck and continued success in all that you pursue! To Deborah, your guidance and dedication to Cherry Tree have been invaluable. I look forward to working with you again and seeing you at the gym (in case I ever go)! To all the amazing, incredible, extraordinary, marvelous, spectacular, stupendous student organizations who have answered innumerable e-mails, politely nodded as I explained what Cherry Tree was, dealt with camera malfunctions and, last but not least, SMILED, thank you for restoring my faith in GW students. To my amazing friends, who do the same time and time again. And, finally, to someone who started off as a boss, but has turned into one of those friends. To Bevin, thank you for always listening when I had a problem (which was all the time). You dealt with a lot this year, and a weaker person certainly would have buckled under the pressure. I admire you for your skills as a leader and the passion you have for life. I expect great things from you next year in the Cherry Tree and for many years beyond. -Katie Considine, Student Org Editor

**First, I would like to thank everyone on staff, each of you have helped me so much, It would not have been the same without all of you. I'd like to give special thanks to Bevin and Chris, for keeping me on track; Erin, for working with the crazy Greek groups in the design; and finally, Jon, for being my photo slave and making it fun. -Autumn Moran, Greek Life Editor**

Where do I begin to summarize the efforts, struggles, and joys found in creating the 2004-2005 edition of *The Cherry Tree*? A project that in large part defined my junior year of college and was only made possible by the combined minds and talents of everyone on staff. Jon, I hope it comes as no surprise that I must thank you first. For saving me many times and always lending a helping hand, I thank you. Devin, Autumn, Richard, & Katie, thank you for providing me with endless organized lists and hounding down/stalking many members of the GW campus. Meg, you were definitely a lifesaver, thanks for being so understanding and always being on the same page. Erin, thanks for always being so prepared and efficient, it certainly made everyone's lives easier! Chris L., you are a great morale booster and I really appreciate your enthusiastic pep-talks and willingness to help wherever you could. Bevin, thanks for pushing us and pulling all the pieces together to see this book through to the end. Deborah & Jeff, thank you for leading the way and for always believing in us. Christopher. Are there words? I'll just give you my first-born child and we'll call it even. Truly, I am so lucky to have found both a friend and mentor in you. You know as well as I that I couldn't have done this without you. Lastly, to my Geegs, you are a source of endless inspiration and I love you for everything you are. Well guys, we did it! -Blair Blackman, Photo Editor

*"There is as much greatness of mind in acknowledging a good turn, as in doing it."* - Seneca  
Thank you to everyone who helped along the way, especially all the senior parents – thank you for your kindness, patience, and understanding. -Liz Bear, Ads Director



*As the new Executive Editor it was difficult figuring things out for the first time. Without the assistance of our advisor Deborah Snelgrove and her assistant, Jeff Conseletti, I would have had a much longer year. Deborah thank you for this opportunity and the experience to learn so much about myself and this university. Our Editor-in-Chief was fantastic and always kept me in line. We've been through a lot Bevin but I've had a blast the entire time and learned a lot in the process. I want to give a thank-you to each and every one of the staff members who put in hours of selfless work. I especially want to thank Jon Malis, who on many occasions was my saving grace. Erin O'Donnell, I always loved our office chats and will miss you in the future. I know the book is the best it's ever been because of all your amazing design work! Meghan, Katie, and Blair-- your dedication to this production is what our staff was all about this year. Without you, it wouldn't have been done. -Chris LaRocque, Executive Editor*

As we are saying our thank-yous I just want to say that each one of you, whether big or small provided me with a different inspiration for this year's book. I want to thank my fellow seniors for trusting me with their GW memories. Devin, Kaite, Blair and Jon for always giving me feedback and criticism when needed. Chris L. for being so understanding and supportive of my thoughts. Chris Z. for always providing me with a challenge and for listening when I needed it. Bevin for trusting me with the design and creative aspect of this year's book, and for giving me more freedom than I had imagined when I started. Megan for all they crazy things you do and for making me laugh constantly-I will miss our office chats. Thank you Deborah for being an amazing support and for really understanding my vision as a designer. Thank you to all staff and I really enjoyed working with every one so much this past year, and I am sad I was only able to spend one year in MC407.

-Erin O'Donnell, Senior Design Editor

Being a boss to a group of peers at the college level was quite an experience. For the vast majority of the time, it was a learning process filled with creativity, discipline, flexibility, and late nights. I am thankful for the opportunity itself as it allowed me to considerably grow as a person and as a leader. Tami, Julia, and the folks at Taylor Publishing: to fabulous support and Texas hospitality--though I'm still waiting on my cowboy (Tami, coughcough). Ed Thornton and crew: for introducing a southern girl to the Big Apple. Deborah, for being a mentor to me and for being an administrator who goes the extra mile and truly cares about students. Thank you for your guidance, your patience, and your flawless fashion sense. Your talent, intelligence, and grace are levels I strive for. You are truly a woman to be admired. Jeff, aka Hollywood's next big "thang." Your patience, guidance, and contributions meant so much to me. Thank you to your protégé Steve Sobel as well. To the staff who put in their time: Autumn, Blair, Richard, Christina, Carolena, Mike, Beth, and Vanessa. You all have amazing various talents that I know will take you far. Erin, for hitting every deadline and being a dependable leader on staff. Liz, for a remarkable job on ads! Best of luck in the future. Meghan, for being a wonderful person and friend, and for being a Red Bull poster child... Chris "the rock" - to having the qualities of a gentleman and restoring my faith in yankees. To adventures in the jeep. To rafting trips to go on when you get back from traveling the world. For your help with everything, thank you so much. Devin, mon devOn, you are so fabulous and I don't tell you enough. Your basketball skills are superb, you are so intelligent, responsible, and motivated; I have no doubt that you have an incredible future ahead of you. Your continued loyalty and friendship mean the world to me. To the three people who continually went above and beyond, including completing other people's jobs: Jon, your dedication, reliability, professionalism, and talent. Your dedication was more than I could ask for and you will make a superb Photo Editor next year. To Zarconi: your talent, dedication, patience, friendship, advice, counseling, teaching, and help were my saving grace. You did (once in a while...) do things on your own terms which sometimes made me want to strangle you, but I have upmost respect and love. Thank you for being there to understand every last frustration and listen to my ramblings. You went above and beyond when you didn't have to and it meant so much. This book would not have come out without you. Thank you for everything, including my first, only, and last cigar. Perhaps one day we will get to scotch. To Katie, the most incredible staff member of the past year. For rewriting everyone's copy with me over the summer, for finishing spreads and sections that you do not receive nearly as much credit for as you should, for coming back next year as Arts & Features editor... You are so smart, motivated, and beautiful- and you don't even know it. Your humility is admirable; your work ethic is borderline obsessive-compulsive; your sense of humor could not be more dry or on target. You are incredible and words cannot express my gratitude and appreciation for your help and friendship. To the 2006 staff, for giving me reason to believe that I'm not crazy for doing this all again. For simultaneously tying up loose ends of the 2005 book while getting a running start on the 2006. Special thanks to Devin, Jon, Beth and Katie for doing it all over with me and Lauren, Katey, Joe and Steve for caring when you didn't have to. Thank you to the parents, seniors, students, and administrators who make this production possible. Finally, thank you to my family and friends for being my heart and soul and supporting me all along the way.

-Bevin Doherty, Editor-in-Chief



*We salute the  
George Washington University  
Class of 2005  
and their parents and families.  
"To a new generation!"*

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*Thank you to The Cherry Tree Staff:*

*We are honored to have worked with you on this  
outstanding record of the 2004-2005 year at*

*The George Washington University.*

*Congratulations*

*Graduates!*



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*Julia Jordan, Sales Representative*

*Tami McConnell, Account Executive*

*& everyone at Taylor Publishing Company.*



*Congratulations to the  
Class of 2005*

*Welcome to the  
GW Alumni Family!*









# Colophon

The 97th volume of the Cherry Tree of The George Washington University was published using Taylor Publishing in Dallas, Texas. Julia Jordan served as Taylor's sales representative and Tamara Jean McConnell served as the account executive.

## *Cover*

The cover is Skivertex Anila 5269 with the theme "365" on the back and the title on the front. All text on the front and back covers were blind embossed. The front and back text are in Zapfino and the spine is in Times.

## *Endsheets*

The endsheets are 80 lbs Rainbow Midnight Antique with a thermoscreen of gold 917 in Zapfino.

## *Photography*

The photography for the 2005 Cherry Tree was made using Nikon cameras including the F5, F100, N90s, N70, D100, and D2X. Lenses ranged in focal length from 10mm to 300mm and the flashes used were the SB-28 and the SB-800. The images for this book were made digitally and on film. All color negative film was processed at Thornton Studio in New York City. Thornton Studio also photographed the senior class portraits. All film was scanned on a Nikon LS-8000 negative scanner and edited using Adobe Photoshop CS. The photos for the montly dividers had a watercolor filter applied to the original images in Photoshop.

## *Design*

The book was designed using InDesign CS, Quark 6, and Illustrator CS by the Senior Design Editor and the Editor-in-Chief. There are 408 pages measuring 9 inches by 12 inches.

## *Typography*

The primary fonts used in the production of the book were Zapfino, Apple Chancery, Adobe Garamond Italic, Adobe Jenson Pro, Big Caslon, and Copperplate.

## *Computer Equipment*

The 2004 Cherry Tree was designed on a Power Macintosh G5 and a iBook Macintosh G4. Copy work was done on three Power Mac G3 machines. Printouts for submission were done on an HP LaserJet 4000.

## *Production Information*

The Cherry Tree cost approximately \$100,000 for a press run of 2,600 books. Books sold for \$60 and seniors received the book for free by mail. The paper used was 100 lbs matte enamel.

## *Submission*

All pages were submitted to Taylor Publishing as PDF files.







